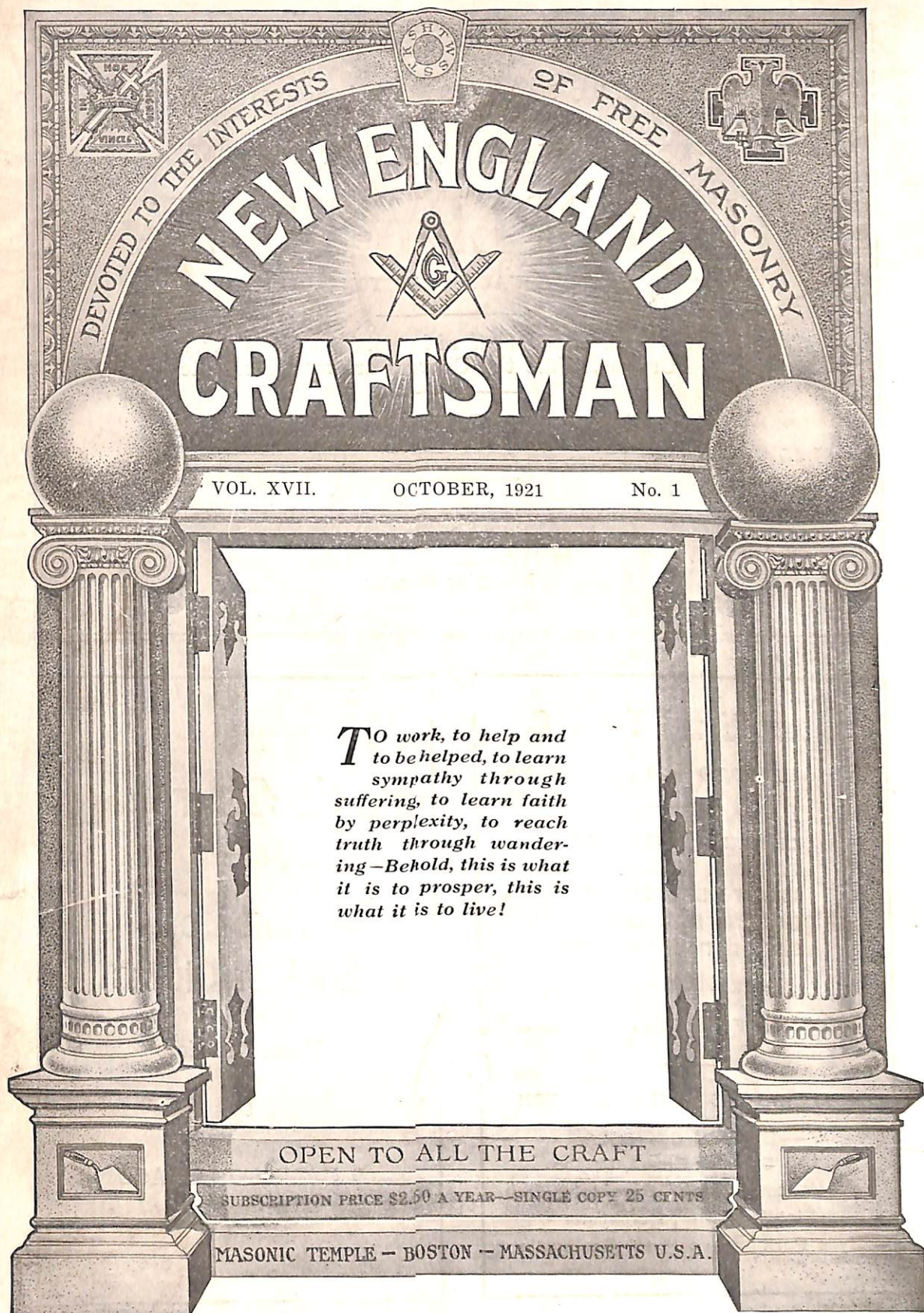




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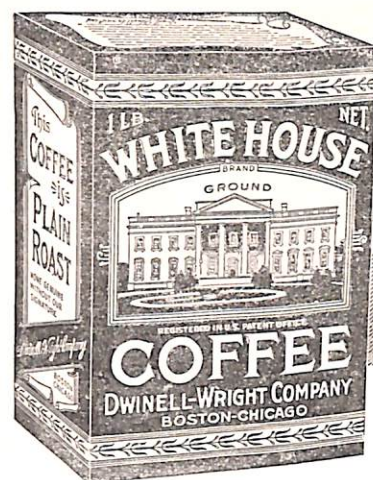
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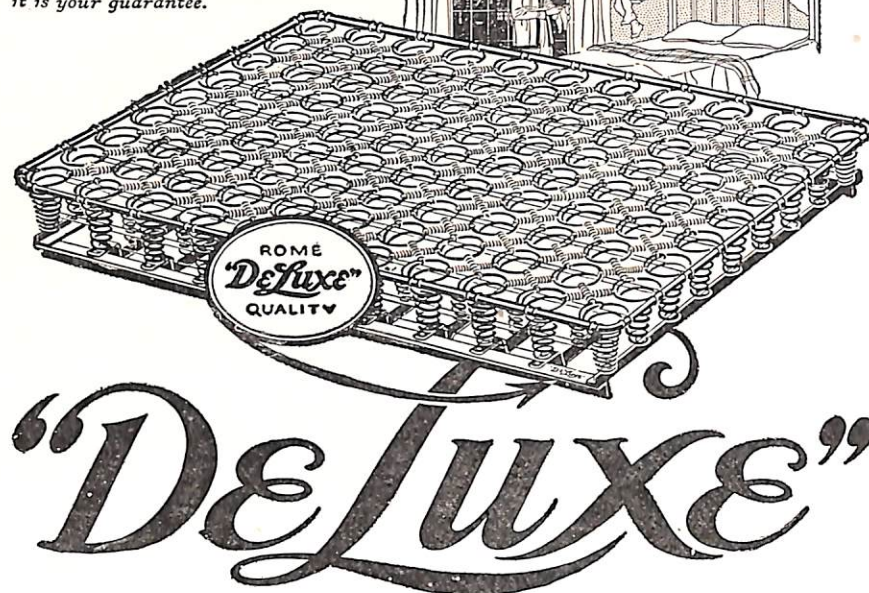
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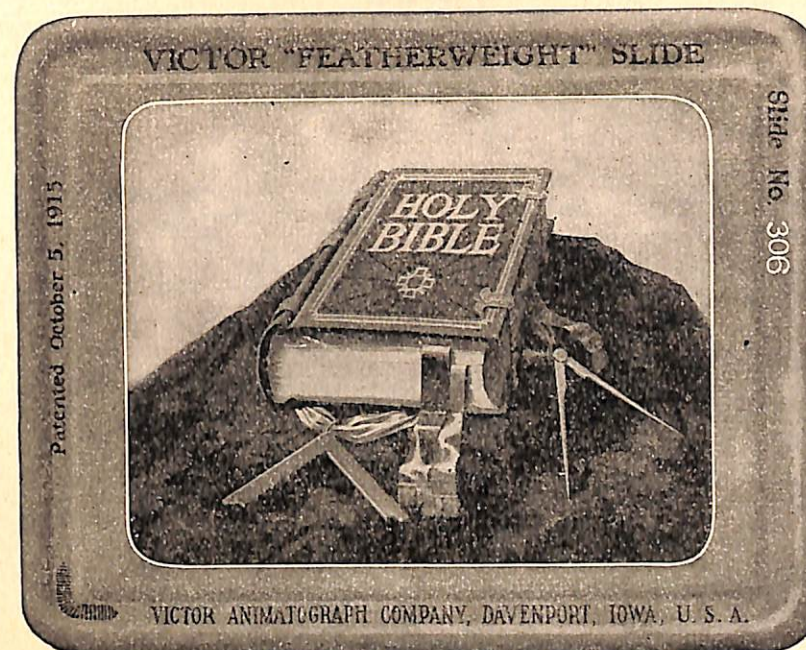
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Craftsman Comment

Barton Smith 33rd Degree

At the meeting of the Supreme Council, A. A. S. R. of the Northern Jurisdiction held in Boston recently, the retirement of the Sovereign Grand Commander, while it had been anticipated for some time, was a matter of real regret to a great many Masons.

Attainment to the high office of Sovereign Grand Commander is a splendid testimonial in itself to the merit of the man.

For forty-five years he served his brethren, always, we believe, with the highest and most honorable motives. Failing health and pressing personal matters made necessary his retirement.

We earnestly hope that our illustrious brother's declining years may be filled with happiness and contentment.

To his successor, Most Puissant Sovereign Grand Commander, Leon Martin Abbott, our own beloved Past Grand Master, whose personality and good works are known to all members in the Massachusetts jurisdiction, as well as many thousands outside of it, we tender our heartiest felicitations, and express the hope that he may long be spared to guide with skill and prudence the destinies of that great office to which his talents have led him and which we have no doubt he will most acceptably fill.

Political vs. Masonic Preferment

This publication has always consistently maintained that the power and influence of Freemasonry is strictly non-political; that

its purposes rise higher than the political arena; that they are *semper ubique* on the side of right and truth, justice and mercy, which cannot always be said of political organizations, unfortunately.

Many men whose political aspirations have possibly blinded them to these facts have in the past attempted to secure support for their ambitions through Masonic influence, oftentimes with an effect which has given them cause for serious reflection. This fact has been evidenced in our own State of Massachusetts, where well-merited rebukes have been administered pseudo-politico-Masons.

Real Masons know that the blighting hand of the selfish politician bodes ill to the fraternity, and to his credit let it be said that the seeker after public office generally is astute enough to leave this phase of the question severely alone when he enters upon a political campaign.

We have recently received communications from readers and serious minded Masons, however, asking why, because a man has attained a high political office he is thereby "entitled" to the so-called "higher degrees" in Freemasonry.

We confess we cannot answer this question. We do not believe our nominating committees or responsible leaders countenance such methods, nor that such a situation exists.

The thought has been put forward that by showing Masonic favors or exceptional courtesies to men in prominent political life the man who has devoted years to the service of his lodge, chapter, consistory or other body, is thereby relegated to the background and his efforts nullified. The conscientious Masonic officer, however, will be the last to admit this, for his purposes and ambitions lie deeper than the seeking of mere preferment.

It is well, however, that the great body of the membership be not given the impression that Freemasonry consists of different "levels" or that there may be cliques pandering to the politician for whatever purpose. Such impressions can have no good effect nor are they conducive to the attainment of that splendid aim of "he best can work who best agrees."

We shall be glad to have the opinion of anyone in authority in a position to speak to give us their views on the subject and relieve the minds of brethren of any wrong views.

It is a part of the great mission of Freemasonry to develop the nobler and better attributes of our nature; to school our hearts up to the sublime emotions of charity and thus approach nearer the realization of truly loving one another.

These signs and tokens are of small value; they speak a universal language, and act as a passport to the attention and support of the initiated in all parts of the world. They cannot be lost so long as memory retains its power. Let the possessor of them be expatriated, shipwrecked, or imprisoned; let him be stripped of everything he has got in the world, still these credentials remain and are available for use as circumstances require.

The great effects which they have produced are established by the most incontestable facts of history. They have stayed the up-lifted hand of the destroyer, they have softened the asperities of the tyrant; they have mitigated the horrors of captivity; they have subdued the rancor of malevolence, and broken down the barriers of political animosity and sectarian alienation.

On the field of battle, in the solitude of the uncultivated forests, or in the busy haunts of the crowded city, they have made men of the most hostile feelings, and most distant religions, and the most diversified conditions, rush to the aid of each other and feel a social joy and satisfaction that they have been able to afford relief to a brother Mason.

—Benjamin Franklin.

The Deputy for Massachusetts

During recent days when so much work of preparation and participation incidental to the labors of the Supreme Council's 30° was essential, it was particularly noticeable that every event fitted perfectly into the day's program. The quietly efficient manner in which everything was conducted evoked favorable comment from visitors to that important affair.

The credit for all this largely belongs to the distinguished deputy for Massachusetts, Frederick W. Hamilton, whose abilities are well recognized and whom we are happy to see recognized by the august body of which he is a part.

Dr. Hamilton is an executive of rare judgment and keen vision, with a capacity for intelligent and prudent action possessed by few. In his capable hands the office of Deputy for Massachusetts is safe and to the office of Grand Secretary of the Grand Lodge of Massachusetts, which he also holds, he brings a degree of knowledge and tact unequalled in this country. Massachusetts Masonry is proud of her leaders, not the least of whom is Frederick W. Hamilton, 33°.

Precedence of Grand Master

For the benefit of incoming Masters of Lodges, committees having Masonic programs in charge and all others who may have the question of precedence to settle, we quote from the Proceedings of the Grand Lodge of Massachusetts the following:

Various questions of precedence arise in connection with the acceptance by the Grand Master of invitations to visit Masonic bodies other than symbolic lodges and it seems wise that there should be some pronouncement upon the matter for the sake of avoiding embarrassment on the part of those who do not fully appreciate or understand the etiquette of such occasions.

Symbolic (Blue Lodge) Masonry existed long before Chapters, Councils, Commanderies, Consistories, or Supreme Councils were dreamed of. While the Degrees conferred in these bodies are colloquially known as "higher" Degrees, in reality they are nothing of the kind. They might more properly be called collateral or appendant. One of the greatest of Masonic jurists was R. W. Brother Albert G. Mackey, M.D., Grand Secretary and Grand Lecturer of the Grand Lodge of South Carolina; Secretary General of the Supreme Council, 33°, Southern Jurisdiction; author of many Masonic works on history and jurisprudence. He called all other degrees than what is known as the York Rite "subsidiary." He said:

"We repeat, that the Scotch Rite is not antagonistic to the York Rite, but is subsidiary to it. And we are not willing to rest the truth or value of this assertion on our own unsupported authority. Dr. Frederick Dalcho, one of the leading members of the Scotch Rite in this country, in an address delivered as far back as the year 1803, before the Sublime Grand Lodge of Perfection, at Charleston, thus defined the relations between the two Rites:

"The Sublime Masons (a title, technically used to designate those members of the Scotch Rite who have advanced as far as the 14th degree) view the Symbolic system with reverence, as forming a test of the character and capacity of the initiated."

"Other degrees, indeed, there are above and

beyond these. They are, however, but illustrative and explanatory, and, by Masonic students, may be, and often are, very advantageously cultivated, for the purposes of laudable curiosity and intellectual improvement."

Masonic Miscellany for September, 1852.

Masonic Miscellany for January, 1851.

There were Masters and Grand Masters years before any one had invented or fabricated the ornamental, instructive, and honorary Degrees conferred by bodies presided over in these later years by High Priests, Eminent and Puissant Commanders, etc. No one can take any other Masonic Degree unless he has first received those of the symbolic or so-called Blue Lodge. The Degrees of Entered Apprentice, Fellow Craft, and Master Mason are fundamental. And the organized governing body of the Blue Lodge can deal Masonically with all Masons within its territorial jurisdiction whether affiliated or not.

While the Grand Lodge cannot govern the other bodies, it is nevertheless the supreme authority of the jurisdiction. It is the Grand Lodges who have determined what other bodies are or are not Masonic. Grand Lodge recognition has been in the past, as it must be in the future, the final test. No other Masonic body could live if there were not Third Degree Masons from whom to receive applications.

On the other hand, the Grand Lodge alone may expel from Masonry. The phrase, "expelled from Masonry" means just what it says. It is not expulsion from the First, or Second, or Third Degree. Expulsion from Masonry is Masonic death.

M.W. Josiah H. Drummond (Grand Master of Maine, 1860-1862) when he was M.P. Sovereign Grand Commander of the Supreme Council, 33°, Northern Masonic Jurisdiction, reported in an annual address to that body a decision that:

"An expulsion or suspension from all Masonic rights, for any cause whatever, by the Lodge, in accordance with the laws of the

Grand Lodge of the jurisdiction, deprives the one expelled or suspended of all rights in all Bodies of the Ancient and Accepted Rite, until he shall be legally restored."

He explained:

"Our degrees (these of the Scottish Rite) are founded on those of the Blue Lodge. We have no jurisdiction over those. * * * When the foundation is destroyed, the structure falls with it."

1871 Proceedings of Supreme Council, N.M.J., 22, 63.

1868 Proceedings of Supreme Council, N.M.J., 14, 42.

1869 Proceedings of Supreme Council, N.M.J., 27.

That body in any jurisdiction which can give or take away Masonic life is the supreme body of that jurisdiction. Its Grand Master is the highest Masonic officer in that jurisdiction.

M.W. Sereno D. Nickerson, a life-long student and exponent of Masonry, and holder of all its degrees, said in 1901:

"Until within the last one hundred years there was not anything but the three degrees. The Lodges conferring those degrees form the great body of the Fraternity. They have a right to say what shall be put upon the top of that organization; they have a right, and they are the only authorities which have a right, to say what is Masonry and what is not, because they are the basis, the foundation, of the whole Fraternity. Because a few Brethren in France one hundred years ago established other organizations, that is no reason why we should submit to be reckoned as an inferior organization,—it is no reason why we should call those higher and better and nobler Bodies. Ours is the organization, and the Lodges of the State should adhere to their power and their control over all fundamental matters that concern the Fraternity.

"I recollect distinctly at one of our Feasts of St. John, only a few years ago, Brother Gardner, whom you will remember as one of our best Grand Masters, and after his Grand Mastership a Judge of our Supreme Court,—a Brother who had received all the degrees and all the honors of Masonry,—I heard him say, at the Feast of St. John, 'All other organizations are but excrescences on the body of Masonry. The Grand Lodge, composed of the Masters and Wardens of the Lodges, is the representative of the whole Fraternity, and those who are connected with that organization should maintain the strength and the power which fairly belong to them.'"

1901 Mass. 243.

The word "excrescences" was doubtless intended without sinister meaning. The "San Francisco Mercury" said in 1865:

"It is on the superstructure of the lower degrees that the whole fabric of Freemasonry rests. There is a right vested in the Entered Apprentice that no legislation can deprive him of. All Masonic authority is derived from Blue Masonry, as on this branch the higher grades must depend for the material of which their bodies are composed. It is a contradiction in terms to call the Chapter, etc., the highest branches of the Order. It is not the fact—these are merely appendant to the first, or central point, the Blue, and they must move in harmony with the central power, or their course will be arrested, and they must come to a sudden stop.

"The Chapters and other branches of the Institution are indebted to the Blue branch for life, for vitality, for food and nourishment, otherwise they could not exist. This position cannot be denied, but must be admitted by all. So true is this that the higher branches of Freemasonry, so called, have only an existence by permission of the Blue. If at any time it was deemed beneficial or necessary to the harmony or existence of Freemasonry, to abolish the Chapter and other degrees, the authority to do so certainly rests in the Grand Lodge, which represents Blue Masonry. The authority to confer the Arch and other degrees came first from the Lodges, subsequently the authority was transferred to, or delegated to the Grand Lodge.

"The power which creates can destroy—this is a fixed axiom—and as the Chapters and other degrees were created by those who were in the possession of the Blue degrees, so they can either by legislation or non-affiliation, put a period in the existence of these appendant degrees. Each Grand Lodge, if the members wish it, can absolve the connection within its jurisdiction, or it may be done by the common consent of all the Grand Lodges, and thus at one and the same time abolish those degrees throughout the world.

"It is not, of course, desired that such should be the case. Nobody wants to see the destruction of so good a thing; but the above is only written to show that the governing power in Freemasonry is in the Grand Lodges or Blue Lodges, and not in Chapters or Encampments."

24 M.F.M. 136.

When the great struggle came between the legitimate Supreme Councils and Cerneauism it was settled by the Grand Lodges of this country. Those Brethren who were active in the Northern and Southern Supreme Councils

sought the support of the Grand Lodges. And it was the recognition accorded by Grand Lodges which determined the question. It was then well and truly said that:

"The Freemason in Masonic matters has pledged his allegiance to the Craft which made him a Mason, and must take his guidance from its Grand Lodge in Masonic matters."

1883 Mass. 50.

In 1882 an unusually able committee, composed of R.W. Charles Levi Woodbury (Corresponding Grand Secretary, 1862-1868; Deputy Grand Master, 1869-1871; Active 33°, serving continuously as Chairman of the Committee on Jurisprudence of the Supreme Council from 1868, and as its Puissant Lieutenant Grand Commander from 1879 until his death in 1898. See 1898 Mass. 139); William Sewall Gardner (Grand Master, 1869-1871); Most Eminent Grand Master of the Grand Encampment of the United States, Knights Templars, 1868-1871; first Commander-in-Chief of Massachusetts Consistory; Active 33°; Justice Massachusetts Superior Court 1875-1885 and Supreme Judicial Court 1885 until his death in 1888. (See 1888 Mass. 63); Leander M. Hannum (then District Deputy Grand Master for the 2nd Masonic District); Merrick N. Spear (then Master of the Pacific Lodge); James K. Odell (then Master of Amicable Lodge); and Albro A. Osgood (then Master of Joseph Webb Lodge; Junior Grand Warden, 1904, and still an honored member of this body), in an exhaustive report, which was adopted by our Grand Lodge, said in part:

"What are Masonic Institutions other than the Grand Lodges? They are understood to be regular and duly constituted organizations for the practice of Masonic mysteries, built upon the basis of the Ancient Free and Accepted Masonry, admitting none to initiation who are not already initiated into Masonry under the auspices of a regular Grand Lodge, who are eligible to membership only whilst they retain their Masonic character in such Grand Lodges, and who forfeit it when expelled from such Grand Lodges. The Grand Lodge does not charter them, regulate their ritual, or prescribe their legislation. So far as they are a Chapter, an Encampment, or a Council, they are independent Bodies. Be-

cause they are independent the Grand Lodge must consider whether the allegiance they ask from the Fraternity will be injurious to that due to itself as the sovereign representative of the Fraternity.

"The Grand Lodge acts upon such independent Bodies as one nation acts on another, by treaties of fraternity and peace, or by declaring non-intercourse, or by absolute embargo; but on the members of these Bodies within its jurisdiction it acts directly with all the power of the whole of Free and Accepted Masonry of the jurisdiction.

"It is only by the tacit or direct consent of the Grand Lodge that such independent Bodies are permitted to seek for initiates or to make proselytes among the Lodges of its jurisdiction, or that any Mason in its allegiance is permitted to enter or remain in the ranks of such a Body. When that is cut off such a Body must die. * * *

"It is an old and sound doctrine that there is no Mason within the boundary of the State who is not within the jurisdiction of the Grand Lodge, and amenable to it for his conduct."

1882 Mass. 86, 87, 93.

Very important and illuminating committee reports on Grand Lodge sovereignty containing extensive quotations and references are also to be found in 1902 Mass. 14-51, and 1883 Mass. 43-67.

These volumes are readily available and their perusal by those interested is earnestly recommended. From them only a part of the report of the Committee on Jurisprudence of the Grand Lodge of New Hampshire and action thereon is quoted:

"The Grand Lodge was created as the sole governing body and power of the Craft in all things Masonic. It was deemed to have absolute control over the Fraternity. The Landmarks were a guaranty that it would not trample upon their rights. They were to be observed as the Magna Charta, but all other powers and prerogatives were ceded to and vested in the Grand Lodge. No limit was set upon its authority. No line of separation was drawn between Craft Masons as such, and as adherents to the higher degrees then rapidly increasing but by universal consent, in obedience to the imperative demand, full power and authority was lodged in the governing body.

"We hold that the power of the Grand Lodge is full and complete in all things Masonic. Those who differ from this proposition do not deny its authority so far as appertains to the first three degrees, but they claim it extends no further, or in other words that the Grand Lodge cannot inquire into what is done beyond

the Blue Lodge. This is a doctrine which answers itself. Can it be claimed that the ceremonies of symbolic Masonry can be used *anywhere*, except by the authority of the Grand Lodge? Would any Mason for an instant say that he could exhibit the signs of Craft Masonry in a lodge of Odd Fellows or other confraternity, and if he should do so, he would not be answerable to the Grand Lodge? And what is the difference so far as violation of the regulations is concerned between exhibiting them in an Odd Fellows Lodge, and some degree of a so-called Scotch Rite not sanctioned by the Grand Lodge? Can any body of men owing allegiance to the Grand Lodge practise any part of the ceremonies of the Blue Lodge degrees anywhere or under any circumstances except by the permission of the Grand Lodge? Is it not clear that everything symbolic is within the control of this Grand Body? Are there any within the lines of the Fraternity who construe their obligations in a way to permit them to exhibit the Master's sign, for instance, anywhere or under any circumstances, except those occasions well understood by the Craft? If so, the sooner such are separated from us, the better for the Institution. No system or rite is Masonic unless founded upon symbolic degrees. All claim to be built upon the Blue Lodge as a basis and such has always been the understanding. In all the hundreds of degrees, and arrangements into what are termed rites, the symbolic degrees have been the corner-stone. It follows that no rite Masonic can be practised without the sanction either expressed or implied of the Grand Lodge. And we hold it to be sound law that the authority of the Grand Lodge is complete over the members of its obedience in the use, practice, or teaching of any rite or degree, containing any part, sign, word, or symbol of any kind as a Masonic ceremony belonging to Craft Masonry."

The Committee presented the following resolutions, which were unanimously adopted:

"Resolved, That this Grand Lodge declares its understanding of the law in relation to its powers and authority over the Craft within its jurisdiction to be:

"First, That it is the supreme authority in Masonry.

"Second, That it has the power to determine what Masonry is.

"Third, That it has the power to decide what Masonic bodies are regular, wherein symbolic Masonry is used, shown, or made a part of the ceremonies.

"Fourth, That it has the power and authority to prohibit the Masons of its obedience from practising as *Masonic* any other rites than those which it declares to be Masonic; and from using any of its esoteric ceremonies as

Masonic ceremonies in any other body than those it shall hold to be Masonic."

1902 Mass. 29 and 30.

A writer in the "American Tyler" expressed, in 1902, his views, as follows:

"The highest position which can be reached in ancient craft or original Masonry is that of Grand Master of a Grand Lodge, and such a one need only have three degrees to be unmentionably higher in rank than is the Sovereign Grand Commander of the Supreme Council itself, should he not have attained to a Grand Mastership."

"I look upon this Grand Lodge," said M. W. Charles A. Welch, "as the head of Masonry in this Commonwealth, and the Grand Master as the head of the Grand Lodge."

1882 Mass. 103.

When, therefore, the Grand Master is officially present at any Masonic function whatever within the limits controlled by his Grand Lodge, he is the ranking Masonic officer present and must be received and accommodated accordingly.

There is a clear distinction between his official and personal attendance. The Grand Master of Massachusetts cannot attend a Lodge within this state, while it is open on the First, Second, or Third Degree, without being Grand Master, but it is possible that he could not attend a Chapter, for instance, at all. Within the Symbolic Lodge he is never shorn of his prerogatives, but he might not be able to pass the Sentinel of a Commandery, and, if he did, he could not take the chair at will. If he is entitled to enter these other bodies, it is by virtue of the practices of those bodies. When visiting his mother Chapter, for instance, he does so as a humble Companion thereof and to wear there the regalia of the Grand Master would show a gross failure to appreciate the situation. But it is otherwise when the Grand Master as such is invited to attend. Then it is not the humble Brother who enters, but it is the head of the supreme Masonic body of the jurisdiction who enters in his official capacity and garb. Then no other Mason outranks him. He takes precedence over all. No matter who else is there re-

ceived, the Grand Master of the Grand Lodge must be received last. Individuality, personality has then no consideration. The Grand Master, as such, within his territorial jurisdiction and in a Masonic body rises for no man, salutes no man except at his own will and pleasure. When others rise to him, he may rise in courteous acknowledgment. When others salute him, he may return the salute.

Wherever the Grand Master may be within his territorial jurisdiction, whether in Blue Lodge, Council, Consistory, or elsewhere he is never divested of that distinguishing characteristic of highest rank which permits him, for such cause as to him alone seems sufficient, to "suspend a Brother, or a Lodge."

Gr. Const. Part 1, Art. VIII, Section 1.

This high prerogative to suspend a brother from the rights and privileges of Masonry, thereby unseating him from all bodies of all rites, resides in no other Masonic authority whatever except the Grand Lodge itself. This prerogative may be exercised within or without a tyled door wherever and whenever the Grand Master comes to knowledge of sufficiently grave "dereliction of duty, or other un-Masonic conduct."

On the other hand, great as is the authority of the Most Eminent Grand Master of the Grand Encampment of Knights Templars of the United States and exalted as is his station, he could not enter our youngest Lodge covered with his official chapeau.

Such are the reasons, in part, for the rules:

1. That, within a particular Lodge holding Charter of the Grand Lodge of Massachusetts, the Grand Master of this Grand Lodge is always such;

2. That, in any other body recognized by the Grand Lodge as Masonic and meeting within this Commonwealth, the person who happens to be Grand Master for the time being may attend in his personal capacity according to his rank which he may hold therein and (with immaterial exceptions) without other privileges or duties;

3. That, in any other body recognized by the Grand Lodge as Masonic and meeting within this Commonwealth, the Grand Master may, if thereunto invited, attend in his official capacity and regalia of office, in which case he takes precedence over all present, though without thereby acquiring authority to exercise any official function pertaining to that body;

4. That, without the territorial jurisdiction of this Grand Lodge, the Grand Master of Massachusetts receives only such Masonic recognition as may be accorded through Fraternal comity. It has invariably been the practice, that where various visiting Grand Masters are received in order appertaining to the seniority of their several jurisdictions, recognition has been given to Massachusetts as the senior Grand Lodge of America.

See also 1882 Mass. 85 to 128.
1851 Mass. 32.
25 M.F.M. 260.
1880 Mass. 130.
27 M.F.M. 97.

While excavating for a new office building on the site of the old Bijou Theatre at Atlanta, Ga., recently workmen discovered the corner-stone of a Masonic Temple started in 1859, but never completed. With the country torn by war the corner-stone was afterward believed lost and the Bijou theatre built on the site. In an opening of the large rock was found records and rosters of the Masonic organizations of that day, city charter and names of the city officials, current newspapers and magazines, a \$5.00 bill, pieces of silver money, among them two three-cent pieces, and other articles, all of which were placed in the museum of the Masonic Temple.

What of the Craft's Future?

Masons may well ask, what is to be the future of the craft? Everything advances, improves, broadens, and Masonry must keep step with the march of mankind or fall by the wayside. Masonry must adapt itself to the demands of the age in order to be effective in the fulfillment of the great purpose for which it exists, and which alone can justify its existence. If, therefore, our young men are to serve Masonry and make it effective for its high and noble end, they must be taught what Masonry is, whence it came, what it brought to us from the remote past, and what it is trying to accomplish, so we can apply its spirit and teachings to the problems of the day. While carefulness in the selection of candidates will at least to a considerable extent eliminate the opportunist, the vain and selfish hypocrite, it requires an effective program of Ma-

sonic education to arouse interest among the brethren in order to overcome that inertia and apathy which paralyzes Masonic thought and action.

The future of Masonry lies in the bringing of the wisdom of the past to the service of the present, in teaching the truth which makes men free, "with malice toward none, with charity for all." Thus showing in the quality of our private lives and by public service what Masonry means, and the kind of citizens it produces. In short, we must form Masonry into a body of men initiated, obligated and trained to make liberty, justice and brotherly love prevail. To attain the truth, and to serve our fellows, our country and mankind is the noblest destiny of man. That should be the principal object of Masons and Masonry.



Roman Catholicism and the League of Nations

"A good deal of fault has been found recently with the liberal—or perhaps I should say lavish—scale of remuneration adopted by the League of Nations. Personally, I do not object to Sir Eric Drummond receiving 10,000 pounds a year as salary, and although I think that the chair given to the office boy need not always have been quite so luxuriously upholstered, there is another and stronger ground for criticism, and I believe it is also very often at the back of the mind, adding bite to the bark of the objector. Sir Eric Drummond is a member of the Roman Catholic Church, and the influence of that church has been used consistently, in Europe at any rate, against republicanism, and democracy. We may have the highest respect or the Roman Church as a religious establishment, but we

can not blind ourselves to the fact that as a political power she is a menace to the liberties that we hold most sacred, and it is exceedingly unfortunate that the League of Nations should have hopelessly prejudiced herself in the eyes of a large body of respectable and responsible Englishmen by appointing as its chief official a member of that community. Some of us fear that in proportion as Sir Eric Drummond is true to his church he will be untrue to the democratic idea which must be the mainspring of the League's activities or it is undone."

This paragraph, written by its Special English Correspondent, appeared in *The Universal Leader*, for March 5th, last. It is reprinted here as a typical utterance of a large minority in England who

have reasons other than political for disliking the League of Nations.

No American, least of all an American Mason, will quarrel with Sir Eric Drummond for being a Roman Catholic; neither will he quarrel with Roman Catholics for rejoicing that one of their number has been exalted to what may become in time the supreme honor of the world. But there are many Americans, Masons and non-Masons, who look with suspicion upon the prominent part played in the League of Nations by a religious organization that has always

sought political power along with religious prestige, and that now, as in the days of the Holy Roman Empire, would love to have the political and spiritual powers of the earth under its own undivided control. "The Builder" has been in favor of some kind of a League of Nations from the beginning, but it hopes that if such a League becomes a permanent fact its management will lie in the hands of men who sincerely believe in the very principles that alone justify the danger of such a gigantic experiment.—The Builder.



An Unparalleled Achievement

It is always a pleasure to record the good works of one with whom the recent history of Massachusetts Freemasonry has been closely identified and it is particularly pleasant to trace the advancement of a worthy Mason whose great power and influence in the fraternity has been consistently exercised on the side of right and truth.

A recital of the good works of the distinguished son of New Hampshire, whom Massachusetts, and particularly Massachusetts Freemasonry, has adopted, would require several issues of this publication and besides would be embarrassing to the modest gentleman who is the subject of this sketch, so we will not attempt it at this time.

A record of the advancement of the distinguished brother, however, is a duty we owe the Craft, because of its very unusualness, if nothing more, for we doubt if anything equalling it can be found in the whole history of Freemasonry on this continent.

For this reason and for the proper information of our readers we give herewith a very brief sketch of the Most Puissant Sovereign Grand Commander of the Northern Masonic Jurisdiction of the United States of America, Brother Leon M. Abbott, for whom the whole

membership of the fraternity, having the pleasure and privilege of his acquaintance, entertains highest regards:

Leon M. Abbott was born at Richmond, N. H., August 28, 1867. He is the son of Joseph B. and Lydia C. (Martin) Abbott. He received his education at Keene, N. H., High School, Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Harvard College and Harvard Law School, and was admitted to the Massachusetts Bar in 1891. April 19, 1894, he married Florence May, daughter of William C. Tallman of Boston. He is now a partner with former Governor John L. Bates in the law firm of Bates, Nay, Abbott & Dane, having offices at 73 Tremont street, Boston.

Bro. Abbott is a member of the American, Massachusetts, and Boston Bar Association, the Algonquin Club of Boston, Boston City Club, and is an officer in various charitable and other organizations. He is a trustee of many large estates, and has appeared as counsel in many important cases.

Bro. Abbott has had an interesting and wide career in the Masonic order. He was made a Master Mason in Columbian Lodge, A. F. & A. M., Boston, June 7, 1894, and is a past master, trustee and a life and honorary member of that lodge.

He is an honorary member of twenty-one Massachusetts Blue lodges; is past Grand Master, past grand warden, past district deputy grand master, and a member of the board of directors of the Grand Lodge of Massachusetts.

In other Masonic activities, Bro. Abbott is a past high priest of St. Paul's Royal Arch Chapter, R.E. grand king of the Grand Royal Arch Chapter of Massachusetts, a life member and trustee of Boston Commandery, K. T.; past thrice potent master of Boston Lafayette Lodge of Perfection, past commander-in-chief of Massachusetts Council of Deliberation; life member of Boston Council of Royal and Select Masters, Giles F. Yates Council Princes of Jerusalem, Mount Olivet Chapter of Rose Croix, and Massachusetts Consistory 32d degree; honorary member of Connecticut Valley Consistory 32d degree

of Springfield, Mass., of Rochester Consistory 32d degree of Rochester, N. Y., of Merrimack Valley Lodge of Perfection, of Haverhill, Mass.; of Greenfield Lodge of Perfection, of Greenfield, Mass.; of the Scottish Rite bodies of Pittsfield, Mass.; of Harvard University Chapter of Acacia of Cambridge, Mass.; and of the Masonic Veterans' Association of Central New York.

On Sept. 18, 1906, Bro. Abbott received his honorary 33d degree in the Supreme Council, N.M.J.; was elected active member and deputy for Massachusetts, Sept. 23, 1909. In September, 1911, he was elected Lieutenant Commander of the Supreme Council. He represents the Southern Supreme Council, 33d degree, in the Northern Supreme Council, 33d degree, and is past provincial Grand Master of the Royal Order of Scotland.



Definition of a Friend

What is a friend? I will tell you. It is a person with whom you dare to be yourself. Your soul can go naked with him. He seems to ask you to put on nothing, only to be what you are. He does not want you to be better or worse. When you are with him you feel as a prisoner feels who has been declared innocent. You do not have to be on your guard. You can say what you think, express what you feel. He is shocked at nothing, offended at nothing, so long as it is genuinely you. He understands those contradictions in your nature that lead others to misjudge you. With him

you breathe freely. You can avow your little vanities and envies and hates and vicious sparks, your meanness and absurdities, and in opening them up to him they are lost, dissolved in the white ocean of his loyalty. He understands. You do not have to be careful. You can abuse him, neglect him, berate him. Best of all, you can keep still with him. It makes no matter. He likes you. He is like fire, that purifies all you do. Through and underneath it all he sees, knows and loves—you. A friend, I repeat, is one with whom you dare to be yourself.—Dr. Frank Crane.

While Master of a Masonic lodge George Washington gave money out of his own pocket to assist in the establishment of a free public school system.

Note and Comment

Sea and Field Lodge, F. & A. M., for soldiers and sailors of the World War, has been instituted in Syracuse, N. Y., with the Rev. A. A. Jaynes, rector of Trinity Church, as master and the mayor of the city as senior warden.

R. E. Ernest J. Hayden, D.D.G.H.P., of the Third Capitular district, assisted by Ex. Comp. Edward C. Mosher, as D.G.C. of the H., installed the officers of Fall River R. A. Chapter on the evening of Sept. 19, and the officers of Adoniram R. A. Chapter, New Bedford, Wednesday evening, October 5th.

Bro. Hayden is the sole agent for the CRAFTSMAN from New Bedford and Fairhaven, and will be pleased to take subscriptions.

A ceremony, probably unique in the annals of Masonry in America, and perhaps in the world, took place on Thursday evening, Oct. 13, in Phenix, Rhode Island, at a stated communication of Warwick Lodge, No. 16. There was first degree work, and among the novitiates was the eighth son to enter Masonry of J. Ellery Hudson, a past master of the lodge and the factory inspector of the state of Rhode Island. At the initiatory ceremonies, Wor. Bro. J. Ellery Hudson sat in the East, while his seven other sons and his two sons-in-law occupied the other stations, and conducted the work.

William L. Terhune was re-elected president of the Boston Masonic Club Saturday night, October 1, at the first annual meeting of the organization to be held in the new clubhouse, which was recently opened at Beacon and Hereford streets. Other officers chosen were: secretary, Vernon L. Greene; treasurer, Frank C. Rogers; directors, for one year, Dr. L. S. Soule and James H. Eliot; for two years, Dr. Wilfred R. Wilson, B. Walter Hobart, Osgood T. Dean, Frank G. Hanson and Roscoe T. Davidson.

Among other business transacted at the meeting was a decision to increase the dues for the coming year and the acceptance of reports offered by the club officials. In accordance with the by-laws, the new directors met Oct. 10th to elect three vice-presidents and several committees.

At a special meeting of Sagamore Lodge in Medford, Mass., on Monday evening, September 26th, Lieutenant W. C. Jahnke, Supply Corps, U. S. Navy, was raised to the Degree of a Master Mason, the work being put on by the Ionic Club of Boston Navy Yard with Lieutenant Mason E. Mitchell, Supply Corps, U. S. Navy, past master of Cavite Lodge, No.

2, Cavite, Philippine Islands, in the East, assisted by Lieutenants I. W. Gorton, Joseph Simon and C. E. Kastenbien, all of the Supply Corps.

The lodge room was filled with naval officers and men from the navy yard, who have been associated with Lieutenant Jahnke during the past two years.

This is probably the first time in Massachusetts that a naval officer has been raised by a member of his own corps.

We give below the calendar of the Boston Masonic Club for the ensuing month. This club, in its new home on Beacon street, corner of Hereford, has splendid facilities for entertaining and from the advance program which has been issued, has a busy season ahead. With 2500 members and a waiting list, a superb new home in the most exclusive section of Boston's famous Back Bay section, the club is to be congratulated:

Saturday, Oct. 22, 8 p. m., Members' Night: In the Auditorium: Brother Thomas Savage Clay of New York City will deliver his illustrated lecture on Brother George Washington. Brother Clay comes to Boston as the club's guest. This lecture has been delivered, and enthusiastically received, in many cities.

Saturday, Oct. 29, 8 to 12 p. m.: The first of a series of six grand balls will be given at the Copley-Plaza Hotel, 8 to 12 o'clock. Tickets \$3.00, admitting gentleman and lady. Reservations are limited to 400, and tickets must be secured at the clubhouse. If sent by mail, payment must be made in advance, as no memorandum accounts will be made. "First come first served," and no admissions allowed over the 400 limit.

Saturday, Nov. 5, 8 p. m.: Dedication of the new club home. Appropriate exercises and address by a well-known member of the fraternity. This event will be exceedingly interesting and members only are admitted.

Sunday, Nov. 6, 4 to 6 p. m.: Upper Foyer—First Sunday afternoon concert. The Joseph Ecker Trio: Joseph Ecker, baritone; Elva Boyden, contralto; Alice Eldridge, pianist. Tea. Mrs. W. L. Terhune, hostess.

Wednesday, Nov. 9, 8 to 12 p. m.: Reception in the Music Room at 8 o'clock, followed by dancing in the auditorium. For members only and their ladies.

Saturday, Nov. 12, 3 to 5 p. m.: Auditorium: First afternoon tea dansant of the season. Tickets 50 cents each person, including tea and light refreshments. Tickets at desk. Members and their ladies only.

Saturday, Nov. 12, 8 p. m., Members' Night: In the auditorium—Walter A. Hawkins will address the club on "Masonic Clubs in Europe." Brother Hawkins is a member of the Jordan

Marsh Company and has lived abroad in the interest of his firm.

Sunday, Nov. 13, 4 to 6 p. m.: Auditorium—Ampico piano accompaniment. Roland Tapley, solo violinist, Boston Symphony Orchestra; Edith Bullard, soprano. Tea. Mrs. B. Waldo Hobart, hostess.

Wednesday, Nov. 16, 8 p. m., Ladies' Night: Auditorium—First of the season whist parties for members and their ladies. Tickets 25 cents each at the desk. Dr. Agnes G. Lake, hostess.

Saturday, Nov. 19, 3 to 5 p. m.—Auditorium: Tea dansant. Tickets 50 cents each person, including tea and light refreshments. Members and their ladies only.

Saturday, Nov. 19, 8 p. m., Members' Night—Auditorium: Address by the Rev. E. J. Huiguin. Brother Huiguin has delivered many Masonic addresses, is a forceful speaker, with a message upon a vital theme.

Sunday, Nov. 20, 4 to 6 p. m.: Auditorium—"Miss Bobby" Besler of New York, costume singer. Mrs. Vernon Greene, hostess (Chairman of Ladies' Committee).

Wednesday, Nov. 23, 8 p. m., Ladies' Night: Auditorium—Rev. R. Perry Bush will address the club on a most interesting subject. Members and ladies.

Saturday, Nov. 26, 3 p. m.: First Junior meeting—Every member of the club having a boy or boys between the ages of 14 and 20 years especially invited to have them attend this meeting to organize a junior class. The purpose is to furnish the sons of members of the club with the background of the fraternity so that when arriving at the maturer age of eligibility they may be better prepared to receive those benefits. It will be a school for better manhood. It will be an education. No charge.

Saturday, Nov. 26, 8 to 12 p. m.: Second grand ball, Copley-Plaza Hotel. Tickets \$3.00, admitting gentleman and lady. Reservations limited to 400. The same rule applies as under date of Saturday, Oct. 29, on this calendar.

Sunday, Nov. 27, 4 to 6 p. m.: Upper Foyer: Sunday afternoon concert. The Copley Group, Mary Cooper, violinist; Helen Tiffany, pianist; Louisa Burt-Wood, mezzo. Tea. Mrs. Gordon H. Wilson, hostess.

Wednesday, Nov. 30, 8 p. m., Ladies' Night: Auditorium—Second of the season whist parties for members and their ladies. Tickets 25 cents each person at the desk. Mrs. Roscoe L. Davidson, hostess.

The thirty-eighth Triennial Convocation of the General Grand Chapter held Sept. 28-29, in Asheville, N. C., was a most successful and enjoyable meeting and the utmost harmony prevailed. Forty-four of the 47 Grand Chapters were represented by over 275 members. This is a record attendance.

The courtesies usual on such occasions were tendered to the members and ladies accompany-

ing them by the committees of the Grand Chapter and Grand Council of North Carolina. They kindly and fraternally welcomed their guests and made the various receptions, entertainments and excursions most interesting and enjoyable events.

The Towner-Stirling Bill as now prepared, the Overseas War record of the Y. M. C. A., the Educational Work of the several Grand Chapters, the Order of DeMolay for Boys movement, and the Near East Relief Work were severally commended and indorsed.

The Grand Chapter of Missouri presented an exemplification of the new ritual for the Royal Arch degree in a masterly manner which seemed to meet with general approval as a correct interpretation of the new ritual for that degree. Many received new impressions of the possibilities of this ritual. The Royal Arch Orpheus was ordered published.

The revision of the Constitution, together with a form of statutes, rules of order, by-laws, forms and ceremonies for the use of subordinate chapters were "indefinitely postponed."

Election of officers resulted in the selection of the list of officers named herein for the next triennial period.

Portland, Maine, was selected as the next place of meeting for 1924, the time to be determined by the general grand officers.

Officers elected and installed for the ensuing term, 1921-1924, are as follows: William F. Kuhn, general grand high priest, Kansas City, Mo.; Charles N. Rix, deputy general grand high priest, Hot Springs, Ark.; John A. Blake, general grand king, Boston, Mass.; Henry DeW. Hamilton, general grand scribe, New York City; Gustav A. Eitel, general grand treasurer, Baltimore, Md.; Charles A. Conover, general grand secretary, Coldwater, Mich.; Charles C. Davis, general grand captain of the host, Centralia, Ill.; Leon T. Leach, general grand principal sojourner, Indianapolis, Ind.; John W. Neilson, general grand royal arch captain, Concordia, Kan.; William T. S. O'Hara, general grand master third veil, Toledo, O.; Mattison B. Jones, general grand master second veil, Los Angeles, Cal.; John H. Anderson, general grand master first veil, Fayetteville, N. C.; Arthur G. Pollard, trustee for nine years, Lowell, Mass.; Charles C. Wood, D.D., general grand chaplain, La Grange, Ga.

Frederick Huntington Briggs was chosen eminent commander of Boston Commandery, Knights Templars, at its 106th conclave in Masonic Temple, Sept. 21.

Others chosen were as follows: generalissimo, Sir George T. Wiley; captain-general, Frank O. Clark; senior warden, Sir Charles L. Hamilton; junior warden, Sir William P. Bullard; treasurer, Sir Herbert A. Rhoades; recorder, Sir Joseph W. Work; prelate, Sir Walter B. Tripp; prelate emeritus, Sir War-

ren B. Ellis; trustee of permanent and charity funds, Eminent Sir Eugene A. Holton.

After the election and the dinner, the elected officers were installed by James S. Blake, grand generalissimo of the Grand Commandery of Massachusetts and Rhode Island and past commander of Boston Commandery. He was assisted by Eminent Sir Jesse E. Ames as warder.

A pleasing feature of the evening was the election as sword-bearer emeritus of Sir Edgar F. Hunt, for 46 years a member of Boston Commandery, during which he has held office for 40 years, most of the time as sword-bearer. He was given a royal greeting, members rising to testify the esteem in which he is held, and he was presented with a jewel, Em. Sir James S. Blake making a very felicitous presentation.

The new commander, Em. Sir Frederick H. Briggs, has a broad Masonic career. He is scribe in St. Andrew's R. A. chapter, is a 32d degree Mason, junior warden of Joseph Warren Lodge, A. F. & A. M., a director of the Boston Masonic Club, a member of the Mystic Shrine and the Grotto.

Among the officers appointed was Clarence J. MacKenzie, as standard bearer.

An ambitious program has been outlined for the Commandery during the forthcoming year, and it is anticipated that the great interest of the new commander in everything that pertains to Boston Commandery and his well-known capacity for organizing and carrying through interesting programs, will make the administration of "Fred," as he is popularly known, a noted one.

We are anxiously waiting to read the comment of the musical critics of Boston as to the quality of harmony of the newly organized Boston Commandery Band, and we hope an early opportunity to see and hear this aggregation of unusual talent at the head of this famous Commandery, will soon be given to those of us who are unfortunate enough not to be counted among its fraters.

Leon M. Abbott of Brookline, past grand master of Masons in Massachusetts, was chosen most puissant sovereign grand commander of the Supreme Council, 33rd Degree, Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite for the Northern Jurisdiction of North America, for a term of three years at the session of the Supreme Council held in the Masonic Temple, Boston, Sept. 17th.

Other officers chosen were:

Lt. sovereign grand commander, Amos Petibone, of Chicago.

Grand minister of state, Frederick B. Stevens, of Detroit.

Ill. grand treasurer, Gen. Leroy A. Goddard, Chicago.

Ill. grand secretary, Gen. Robert A. Shirrefs, Elizabeth, N. J.

Ill. grand marshal-general of ceremonies, John S. Wallace, Newcastle, Pa.

Ill. grand keeper of archives, Frederick W. Hamilton, Cambridge.

Ill. grand marshal, Gen. Andrew D. Agnew, Milwaukee.

Ill. grand standard bearer, William Geake, Fort Wayne, Ind.

Ill. grand captain of the guard, Charles M. Gerdenier, New Haven, Ct.

Ill. deputies: For New Hampshire, J. Simpson Africa, Manchester, N. H.; for New York, Jerome K. Cheney, Syracuse; for Massachusetts, Frederick W. Hamilton, Cambridge; for Connecticut, Charles M. Gerdenier, New Haven; for Maine, William C. Mason, Portland; for Rhode Island, George H. Holmes, Providence; for Vermont, Henry L. Ballou.

Trustee of the permanent fund for seven years, Frederick W. Hamilton of Cambridge.

Bro. Abbott was born at Richmond, N. H., Aug. 28, 1867. He was the son of Joseph B. and Lydia G. (Martin) Abbott. At Keene, N. H., he received his high school education, and later became a student at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology. He attended Harvard College and Harvard law school five years and was admitted to the Massachusetts bar in 1891. April 19, 1894, he married Florence May, daughter of William C. Tallman of Boston. He is now a partner with former Gov. John L. Bates in the law firm of Bates, Nay, Abbott & Dane, having offices at 73 Tremont street, Boston.

Bro. Abbott is a member of the First Church of Christ, Scientist, of Boston. The American, Massachusetts and Boston Bar Associations, the Algonquin Club of Boston, Boston City Club and other organizations hold his membership.

He has had an interesting and wide career in the Masonic order. He was made a Master Mason in Columbian Lodge, A. F. & A. M., Boston, June 7, 1894, and is a past master, trustee and a life and honorary member of that lodge. He is an honorary member of 21 Massachusetts blue lodges; is past grand master, past grand warden, past district deputy grand master and a member of the board of directors of the Grand Lodge of Massachusetts.

In other Masonic activities Bro. Abbott is a past high priest of St. Paul's Royal Arch Chapter, right eminent grand king of the Grand Royal Arch Chapter of Massachusetts, a life member and trustee of Boston Commandery, K. T.; past thrice potent master of Boston Lafayette Lodge of Perfection, past commander-in-chief of Massachusetts Council of Deliberation, life member of Boston Council of Royal and Select Masters, Giles F. Yates Council, Princes of Jerusalem, Mt. Olivet Chapter of Rose Croix and Massachusetts Consistory, 32d degree; honorary member of Connecticut Valley Consistory, 32d degree, of Springfield, Mass., of Rochester Consistory,

32d degree, of Rochester, N. Y.; of Merrimack Valley Lodge of Perfection of Haverhill, Mass.; of Greenfield Lodge of Perfection of Greenfield, Mass.; of the Scottish Rite Bodies of Pittsfield, Mass.; of Harvard University Chapter of Acacia of Cambridge, Mass., and of the Masonic Veterans' Association of central New York.

On Sept. 18, 1906, Bro. Abbott received his honorary 33d degree in the Supreme Council, N.M.J.; was elected active member and deputy for Massachusetts, Sept. 23, 1909; in September, 1911, he was elected lieutenant-commander of the Supreme Council. He represents the Southern Supreme Council, 33d degree, in the Northern Supreme Council, 33d degree, and is past provincial grand master of the Royal Order of Scotland.

Belmont Royal Arch Chapter of Masons, constituted on the evening of Wednesday, Oct. 12th, in the Masonic apartments at Belmont, Mass., had as its guests during the ceremonies and installations of officers, the officials of the Grand Lodge and men prominent in Masonic circles in Massachusetts. The constitution of the Belmont Chapter places under a regular charter the lodge which for a year has been working under a dispensation from Grand High Priest John J. Van Valkenburgh.

The plan to have a Royal Arch chapter of Masons in Belmont was formed two years ago. The dispensation was granted Oct. 13, 1920, when the first regular convocation was held.

The officers under the charter, most of whom acted under the dispensation, were installed Wednesday night, Oct. 12, 1921, as follows: High priest, Ex. Charles E. Lawrence; king, Ex. Elmer C. Read; scribe, Ex. Stanley A. Sparrow; treasurer, Edwin E. Farnham; secretary, Nathaniel H. Atkins; chaplain, H. Thaxter Underwood; captain of the host, Carlton S. Phillips; principal sojourner, E. Jefts Beede; Royal Arch captain, Guy L. Weymouth; master of third veil, Ralph L. Harlow; master of second veil, Arthur O. Batson; master of first veil, A. Glenn Simm; senior steward, James W. Baldwin; junior steward, James R. Logan; assistant steward, Howard A. Stockwell; organist, John A. Thomas; chorister, Ralph L. Harlow; electrician, Thos. Stewart; and tyler, Charles B. Wood. The trustees include Ex. Charles E. Lawrence, Edwin E. Farnham, Oscar M. Chandler, Isaac H. Locke and Charles W. Sherman.

The fiftieth anniversary of the formation of The First Worshipful Masters Association in Massachusetts was held at The Kenmore, Commonwealth avenue, Boston, Friday evening, Oct. 7. Eighty-nine out of a membership of 170 were present on this occasion.

In response to an invitation of Rt. Wor. Andrew G. Smith, D.D.G.M. of the First Masonic District, the following brethren as-

sembled at Masonic Temple, Boston, on the evening of Oct. 6, 1871, for the purpose of considering the subject of forming an association for mutual Masonic improvement and the cultivation of the social and moral virtues, in conformity with the teachings of our sacred and venerable institution:

R.W. Andrew G. Smith, P.M. of Winslow Lewis Lodge; Wor. Alfred F. Chapman, W.M. of Zetland Lodge; Wor. Charles H. Bolles, W.M. of Revere Lodge; Wor. James Mills, W.M. of St. John's Lodge; Wor. Daniel W. Lawrence, W.M. of Joseph Warren Lodge; Wor. Walter L. Gardner, W.M. of Aberdour Lodge; Wor. J. M. Rodocanachi, W.M. of Lodge of Eleusis.

Of the seven charter members Wor. Charles H. Bolles of Revere Lodge is still living, celebrating his 90th birthday October 7, 1921. He was not present at the 50th anniversary, as he was celebrating his own birthday in his native city of Hartford, Conn. The record was read from the original record book of this first meeting of this association, signed by Wor. Bro. Rodocanachi as secretary January 5, 1872. Wor. Bro. Bolles was elected treasurer and served as such until Dec. 6, 1918. A truly remarkable record of faithfulness.

Ex. Pres. Wor. Joshua M. Dill, Joseph Webb Lodge, read the history of this association for the past 50 years. Ex. Pres. Rt. Wor. Robert M. Green, The Lodge of St. Andrew, read an original poem written by him for this occasion. Five minute addresses were delivered by several members in a reminiscent vein.

This meeting was thoroughly enjoyed by all present, by the older members because it brought to mind so many occasions of their meeting together, by the younger members because they learned the history, and what this association has accomplished for the Masonic fraternity in this jurisdiction in the past.

Grand Lodge officers and many others of the craft attended a constitution ceremony on the evening of Wednesday, Oct. 5th, in which Brookline Lodge, A. F. & A. M., organized Nov. 15, 1920, received its charter. The ceremony took place in the Masonic apartments on Harvard street.

The lodge, headed by the worshipful master, J. Everett Brown, held an informal reception at 5.30 p. m., in honor of Grand Master Arthur D. Prince and others of the Grand Lodge.

There was a dinner at 6 o'clock and the constitution ceremonies at 8. Past Grand Master Leon M. Abbott, who is an active member of the new Brookline Lodge, spoke informally at the banquet. There was music by the Apollo Quartet and the Boston Orchestral Players.

Grand Master Prince presided at the constitution ceremonies, and was assisted by Claude L. Allen, D.G.M.; Frank E. Swain, S.G.W.; William Riding, J.G.W.; Edwin B. Holmes and Leon M. Abbott, P.G.M.;

Louis C. Southard, P.D.G.M.; George W. Bishop, John A. McKim, William M. Belcher, Harry P. Ballard and William M. Farrington, P.S.G.W.; Roscoe E. Learned, Edmund S. Young and Frank T. Taylor, P.J. G.W.; Frederick W. Hamilton, G.S.; Joseph T. Paul, D.D.G.M., first Masonic district; Guy H. Holliday, D.D.G.M., second Masonic district; Arthur A. Lincoln, D.D.G.M., fourth Masonic district; James Young, Jr., D.D.G.M., fifth Masonic district; Frank W. Dobson, G.M.; Rev. Dr. Edward A. Horton and Rev. Edward A. Chase, G.C.; Frederic L. Putnam, G.L.; Frederick A. Leavitt, S.G.D.; Frank L. Simpson, J.G.D.; Franklin C. Jillson, S.G.S.; John M. Gibbs, J.G.S.; Frank H. Hilton, G.S.B.; John H. Harris, G.P.; George W. Chester, G.T.

Included in the list of special guests were Past District Deputies David T. Montague, Herbert M. Chase, Henry P. Smith, president Masters' Association, fifth district; Andrew P. Cornwall, P.M., Mt. Lebanon Lodge; Chester C. Whitney, P.M., St. John's Lodge; Clarence A. Warren, P.M., Robert Lash Lodge; Charles H. Clark, P.M., Dalhousie Lodge; George A. Adams, P.M., Norfolk Lodge; Fred M. Blanchard, P.M., Dalhousie and Norumbega Lodges; Charles Dennee, P.M., Euclid Lodge; Howard S. Hatch, W.M., Monitor Lodge; Eben S. Files, W.M., Pequossette Lodge; John W. Ekwall, W.M., Isaac Parker Lodge; George U. Bauer, W.M., Beth-horon Lodge; Samuel H. Wragg, W.M., Norfolk Lodge; Harry E. Bryant, W.M., Fraternity Lodge; William S. Osborne, W.M., Norumbega Lodge; James H. Dalton, W.M., Ebenezer Fuller Lodge; Alfred G. Sanborn and David H. Delano, P.M., Beth-horon Lodge.

The executive committee consisted of Worshipful Master Brown, Arthur P. Teele and Frederick A. Leavitt; in charge of the dinner, Arthur P. Teele, Milton F. Reynolds, Henry A. Varney, Albert A. Pollard, Fred M. Goodwin, Gordon B. March, David S. Reynolds and Walter A. Smith; Grand Lodge reception committee, Edwin B. Holmes, Louis C. Southard, William M. Farrington, Joseph T. Paul, Leon M. Abbott, Emery B. Gibbs, Frank T. Taylor and Frederick A. Leavitt; general reception committee, Worshipful Master Brown, Frederick A. Leavitt, Arthur P. Teele, George U. Bauer, Frank C. Condon, Clarence A. Delano, Fred M. Goodwin, William S. Kemp, Milton F. Reynolds, Fred B. Richardson, Charles A. W. Spencer and George R. Winsor; the decorations were in charge of R. Kendrick Smith, Francis T. Hall, Winfield L. Nourse, Edwin A. Robart and Henry A. Burnham; in charge of the music, F. Arthur Hinchcliffe, Frederick W. Wodell and St. Clair A. Wodell.

The lodge was organized with 64 charter members. The first officers under the constitution are: J. Everett Brown, worshipful master; Frederick A. Leavitt, senior warden; Ar-

thur P. Teele, junior warden; William S. Kemp, treasurer; Fred B. Richardson, secretary; Rev. Barrett P. Tyler, chaplain; George R. Winsor, marshal; F. Arthur Hinchcliffe, senior deacon; Francis T. Hall, junior deacon; Henry A. Varney, senior steward; Gordon B. March, junior steward; R. Kendrick Smith, inside sentinel; Richard W. Grant, organist; David A. Kenrick, tyler; Alfred P. Waterman, instructor.

Friday evening, Sept. 13th, the Masonic Club of Stoneham, Mass., had its house warming, throwing open its finely furnished, spacious headquarters in Symmes Bldg., Main street, to more than 200, including visitors prominent in the fraternity, enjoying the auspicious occasion. Good-fellowship reigned supreme, and the evening will long be held in pleasant memory by all who were privileged to be present. The club rooms presented a most attractive appearance, and were decorated with a profusion of cut flowers, etc. Punch was also served during the evening, and much tobacco consumed! The formal exercises included remarks by Pres. Erle R. White, W.M.C. Frank Munger, and P.M. Lemuel W. Standish and D.G.M. Claude Allen of Melrose also spoke interestingly. The new billiard and pool tables were tried out and pronounced satisfactory, and the facilities for cards, etc., enjoyed. It was the consensus of opinion that the house furnishing committee had succeeded admirably in its efforts. The officers and committees in charge comprised the following:

Erle R. White, president; C. Francis Munger, vice president; Arthur J. Smith, treasurer; Leslie C. French, secretary; and James M. MacAnanny, William O. Richardson, Lemuel W. Standish, board of governors.

House Furnishing—George E. Merrifield, chairman; C. R. M. Brodeen, E. C. Currier, M. W. Downs, W. S. Folant, R. C. Fuller, S. A. Hill, C. W. Houghton, W. S. Lister, E. S. Lane, A. P. Rounds, H. H. Richardson, J. L. Reynolds; entertainment: Charles M. White, chairman, A. G. Anderson, A. N. Aldrich, W. C. Day, D. L. Downs, R. W. Davis, B. J. Hinds, E. G. Hinchcliffe, Karl Hedberg, C. A. Merrifield, H. L. MacKenzie, J. A. VanBuren; membership: Rev. Mitchell Bronk, chairman, W. H. Andrews, C. R. Farrin, J. A. Forbes, W. F. Colwell, W. R. Richards, H. W. South-er, H. Schumann, C. H. Wainwright.

The time to extend the hand of charity is when a brother needs it, when he is down and out and will appreciate it. Not after his soul has passed over the river from whose bourne no traveler has ever returned and his lifeless form lies covered with roses.

Minnesota has made an appropriation of \$4,000 for Masonic research.

The CRAFTSMAN heartily approves any movement which has for its object the final attainment of world peace and the elimination of mistrust between the two great Anglo-Saxon nations. For this reason we are glad to give publicity to the announcement of the Loyal Coalition, which, among other things, contained the following:

"The appointment of Telfair Minton of New York as secretary of the Loyal Coalition, has been announced from the headquarters in this city.

"Mr. Minton, who is of Colonial descent, is a well-known American historian, writer and educator, and is regarded as an authority on the flag of the United States and of the flags used during the Colonial days.

"While a New Yorker, he is not unknown in Boston. During the war he was one of the speakers for the Boston Liberty Loan Committee in 1917, and spoke with the late Theodore Roosevelt at the Liberty Theatre on the Common. He was one of the military census agents of the State of Connecticut, and helped to organize its home guard. Later, he was selected by the War Work Council of the Y. M. C. A. as one of its speakers on patriotism, and saw overseas service as associate field director of the American Red Cross.

"Mr. Minton is a member of several patriotic societies, including the Founders and Patriots, Society of Colonial Wars, Sons of the Revolution and the Military Society of Foreign Wars. He is also a veteran of the Spanish-American War and resigned from the naval service with the rank of lieutenant-commander. As a member of the Union Club, New York City, he was one of those who helped to defend the club when attacked by a mob last Thanksgiving Day.

"For many years Mr. Minton has been lecturing on American flags before churches, patriotic societies, clubs, and schools. During the past summer his remarkable collection of flags have been on exhibition in Boston, Worcester, Marblehead and other cities and towns.

"The Minton flag collection was one of the features at the luncheon tendered President Harding during his visit to Plymouth in August.

"In accepting the office of secretary of the Loyal Coalition, Mr. Minton said: 'I am very glad to identify myself publicly with the Loyal Coalition, and feel that the organization has done a patriotic service of inestimable value in awakening public opinion to the dangers of allied propaganda.'

American History

"We are now planning to carry on a patriotic educational campaign on American history. My experience in the free schools of our country has shown me the necessity of a campaign of this character. We do not want the colonial or early period of our country's

history erased or re-written, simply because the foreigner in our midst has nothing in common with it. The ideals and traditions of this country must not be cast aside. It is important that the true historical facts concerning the foundation of this nation be brought to the front. I know of no better method than by means of the flags used during the colonial and early days of the Republic.

"We must give more attention to educating the coming generation along the lines of what America stands for. America must not become a land of many races and languages, as some people are trying to make it, but the land of one race—the American race, and of one language—the English language. I believe that the safety of the world depends upon the friendship of the English-speaking nations."

"NOTE—The Loyal Coalition, with national headquarters at 24 Mount Vernon street, Boston, Mass., is the citizens' organization formed in Boston in March, 1920, which has offered such successful opposition to the propaganda of Sinn Feiners and other hyphenates in this country. The Loyal Coalition was particularly active in calling attention to the illegality of the Irish bond drive in 1920 and in offering resistance to Irish resolutions in Congress and at the political conventions before the presidential election.

"From December, 1920, to May, 1921, the Loyal Coalition carried on a most remarkable series of patriotic mass meetings to voice true American sentiment and denounce un-American propaganda. These meetings were addressed by President Emeritus of Harvard University, Charles W. Eliot, Mr. Telfair Minton, Capt. Arthur E. Runnelle of Montreal, Rear Admiral William S. Sims, U. S. N., Major George Haven Putnam, Prof. Byron S. Hurlbut, Rev. A. Gordon MacClennan, Hon. George W. Wickersham, former attorney general of the United States, Mr. George L. Fox, Rev. Percy Gordon of St. Bartholomew's Church, New York City, former Senator Chas. S. Thomas of Colorado, Hon. Moorfield Storey and Demarest Lloyd.

"The splendid record of the Loyal Coalition in the past gives assurance that the campaign of American history will be handled in a manner to set forth the truth and frustrate the efforts of any un-American groups which may seek to exploit American history, traditions and ideals for alien propaganda purposes."

The Grand Lodge of Louisiana, by a resolution adopted at its last session, unqualifiedly declared itself in favor of the free public school system of education, liberally supported by national state and local governments under proper control of the respective states and local authorities, free from sectarian influence and control, and it has called upon its membership to bring this action to the attention of the proper legislative authorities.

With \$950,000 of the first million dollars collected and in the bank, and the second million due on January 1, the board of trustees of the Shrine's Crippled Children's hospital project, at its adjourned session in St. Louis on Monday, Sept. 26, decided definitely upon the locations of six hospitals to cost \$1,300,000, and tentatively upon the erection and sectional location of three more to cost \$600,000.

The first idea was to build a million dollar monument to the Shrine in a beautiful park site in St. Louis, but the little \$200,000 Scottish Rite Crippled Children's hospital in Atlanta, a model in every respect, completely captivated the humanitarians the Shrine elected as the board of directors to have entire charge of the charity, and Dr. Michael Hoke's suggestion to "take the hospitals to the children, instead of taking the children to the hospital, convinced the trustees that Forrest Adair's idea of a number of small hospitals, conveniently located throughout the jurisdiction of North America, would serve the needs of the crippled children better than one great institution centrally located.

A hospital will be located in St. Louis at a cost of \$300,000, and five others, each costing \$200,000, will be located in Montreal, Can.; the twin cities of St. Paul and Minneapolis; San Francisco, Cal.; Shreveport, La.; and Portland, Ore.

W. D. Ittner, of St. Louis, Mo., was employed to draw the plans for the St. Louis hospital, and the firm of Heinz, Reid & Adler, who designed the plans for the Scottish Rite hospital in Atlanta, was employed to draw plans and specifications for all of the other hospitals, including the three for which definite locations have not been selected. One of these will be in a New England state, the second in central Pennsylvania and the third in Virginia.

It is planned to begin work immediately on the six first mentioned, Trustee Philip D. Gordon being instructed to select a site and let contracts for the hospital in Montreal. The hospital for St. Paul and Minneapolis will be under the direction of Trustee Oscar M. Landstrum, of Helena, Mont., with Past Imperial Potentate Charles Ovenshire, of Minneapolis, to assist him.

Trustee Jack McGilvray will look after the hospital at San Francisco, and it is possible Mayor George L. Baker may look after the construction of the hospital in Portland, while Trustee Samuel Cochran, Adair and Kendrick will have charge of the erection of the hospitals in St. Louis and Shreveport. The hospital in St. Louis will be built on a beautiful location adjoining Barnes hospital and will have 80 beds. Locations for the five other hospitals have not yet been selected, but they will be built to accommodate 60 patients at one time.

The board met in Atlanta recently pri-

marily to inspect the Scottish Rite Crippled Children's hospital in Atlanta, which is in existence because Forrest Adair had an idea some six years ago which the Scottish Rite Masons were glad to accept and furnish money. The hospital was built around the work of Dr. Michael Hoke, one of the most eminent orthopedic surgeons in the world, and Miss Lillian Carter, a nurse skilled in the handling of orthopedic cases. It has been heralded all over the world as a model charitable institution, and before starting upon the expenditure of the millions the Shriners will appropriate to the work, it was thought wise to accept Trustee Adair's invitation to thoroughly inspect the hospital in this place.

As a result the Atlanta hospital will be the model for all of the hospitals to be built for the Shriners, with the exception of the one in St. Louis, and Atlanta architects will supervise the construction of these institutions, which in time will be in every state in the union, as well as all over Canada and far down into Mexico.

The board of trustees will meet again in January at which time they will settle on the location of the three hospitals not now definitely placed, and by the time the Shriners meet in San Francisco next June the six hospitals already decided upon will be in course of construction or completed, and within 18 months it is hoped that they will all be finished and in operation, and that by that time five or six other locations may be selected.

It costs approximately \$40,000 a year to maintain the Scottish Rite Crippled Children's hospital in Atlanta, and allowing as much as \$50,000 as an average for the maintenance of each of the six hospitals already authorized, the matter of maintenance will be a big cost in a few years. However, it is thought that when the work once gets started and the Shriners have an opportunity to see the wonderful results, there will be no opposition to increasing the assessment from \$2 a year to \$3, or even more. Letters suggesting such a move are already flooding the mails of the board of trustees.

As an example of how the great charity is taking hold of the Shriners it was announced in St. Louis to the board of trustees that Hella temple, at Dallas, Tex., had voted to build and equip a hospital there and would turn it over to the board of trustees for their supervision. The Shrine temple at Spokane, Washington, also notified the board of trustees that they would out of their own funds buy a site, build and equip a hospital according to plans and specifications to be submitted by the board of trustees, and upon completion would turn the hospital over to the board of trustees as a gift.

With crippled children's hospitals in Atlanta, Memphis and one in the Carolinas, now being operated by Masons, the work of recon-

structing the crippled children of this country is well on its way.

Aside from the great work of providing places for carrying on this much-needed charity, the board of trustees also gave much attention to the very important matter of placing the actual orthopedic work that is to be done under the entire charge of an orthopedic board consisting of Dr. Robert Osgood, of Boston, chairman; Dr. A. McKenzie Forbes, of Montreal, secretary; and Dr. Michael Hoke, of Atlanta, who are empowered to increase this number to five if they see fit.

These renowned experts in the correction of deformities in the human body will be in complete charge of the highly-skilled corps of surgeons who will work the miracles in the Shriners' hospitals throughout the United States and Canada, and bring to a high realization the ideals of Forrest Adair, Bishop Keator, and the host of other influential Shriners and humanitarians who got behind Past Imperial Potentate Kendricks' motion to perpetually assess every Shriner \$2 per year to build, equip and maintain hospitals to reconstruct indigent crippled children, and set the nobility of the Shrine on fire with the idea of doing something for the helpless little cripples that would give them a chance in the world.

Boston Commandery, Knights Templar, held its annual barbecue, athletic contest and dance on the grounds of F. L. Briggs on Moose Hill, Wednesday, Oct. 12th. It was a memorable event in Templar history. The estate was in gala array for the visitors, with flags and bunting, pennants and beauseants of the order. More than 2000 members of various commanderies in New England made the pilgrimage to the spot and the sight of more than 1000 automobiles, converging in lines leading from almost every direction into an automobile parade up Moose Hill, was one of the features of the day. Many ladies of the Eastern Star accompanied the knights and took prominent part in the festivities.

Two large tents had been erected, for dancing and the barbecue. Two large open air ovens were in operation and attendants in white caps and aprons were kept busy carving and serving the roasts.

Gov. and Mrs. Channing Cox arrived soon after the exercises began, motoring over the Blue Hills. The Governor attended informally as a member of the order, he being a member of Saint Bernard Commandery, No. 12, of Boston. He made no address. The honor guests included James S. Blake, grand generalissimo of the Massachusetts and Rhode Island Commandery; William Wragg, Hyde Park Commandery; A. C. Morrow, Walter Bagley and E. P. Gilliland of Norwood Commandery; Victor H. Frazier, St. John's Commandery, Providence; William R. Milton, past commander,

Boston Commandery; William C. MacCormick, captain 1st guards, St. John's Commandery; Benjamin Rowell, grand recorder, Massachusetts and Rhode Island Commandery; F. O. Shattuck, Burlington, Vt.; J. W. Work, recorder, and Francis H. Appleton, Clarence McKenzie, Richard Stohrer, Boston Commandery; Mrs. Miriam Watts, past grand matron, and Mrs. Maud E. Wright, Order of the Eastern Star.

Following the barbecue a line was formed, and, headed by the newly organized Boston Commandery Knights Templar Band, the assemblage marched to the athletic field, where an elaborate card of athletic events was run off.

After the sports, supper was served and dancing followed until nearly midnight.

The committee in charge of the event included: Sir W. F. Bullard, Em. Sir F. L. Briggs, A. W. Crooks, E. H. Dyer, L. T. Ellis, R. V. Grandison, B. A. Healy, Ralph Lowe, Jr., H. W. Martin, E. C. Mathewson, C. J. McKenzie, W. L. Nourse, E. G. Page, H. M. Sawyer, C. H. Touzier, Robert Turner, Gordon Wilson and W. R. Wilson.

Much credit is due to Commander Briggs and his able assistants for the splendid sports in behalf of the occasion.

Knights Templars, members of the Eighth Division, Massachusetts and Rhode Island, held a very successful barbecue and field day on Thursday, Sept. 2, at Pittsfield, Mass. The attendance was 1500 knights from the six commanderies in the Eighth Division and the three commanderies from outside invited to join in the festivities.

A special train over the Boston & Maine from Lowell to North Adams and over the Boston & Albany from North Adams to Pittsfield, brought Pilgrim Commandery of Lowell, 150 strong, and the grand officers. The grand officers were met at the Union Station in Pittsfield by an escort of 60 knights headed by six officers, who escorted them to automobiles. The line of march, headed by a squad of police, was to the Maplewood Hotel, headquarters for the Grand Lodge officers. An escort from Berkshire Commandery, headed by Eminent Commander Arthur F. Jones, acted as an escort for the procession. Pilgrim Commandery also joined in the procession and were in turn escorted to the Wendell Hotel, its headquarters.

At 6.30 o'clock, Sept. 1, the grand officers and the past grand commanders of Berkshire Commandery were taken to Stockbridge in automobiles and there dined as guests of Rt. Eminent Grand Commander Harry G. Pollard of Lowell, returning to Pittsfield late at night to go to the barbecue grounds at Pontoosuc Lake and witness preparations for the feast the next day.

Gov. Channing H. Cox arrived at 11.25 p. m., Sept. 1, and was met at the station by members of the reception committee, of which

James R. Savory was chairman, and escorted to a hotel.

Several other delegations of Knights Templar were present.

Pilgrim Commandery went in a body, with an escort from Berkshire Commandery, to the Majestic Theatre, thrown open for all Knights Templars by H. Calvin Ford, the owner.

The celebration of the 50th anniversary of the union of the two sets of Scottish Rite bodies in the Valley of Chicago took place during the October reunion, Oct. 17 to 20. The present bodies were granted charters by the Supreme Council in the fall of 1871.

A craze for largely increasing initiation fees seems to have seized many lodges recently. There are times when an increased fee is justified, but more often it would be far more appropriate to increase dues, if a real necessity exists for additional funds.—*Masonic Observer*.

From a Scottish paper we learn that a number of Masons in Ayreshire have "cast off allegiance" to the Grand Lodge of Scotland, and have formed a clandestine body. The reason assigned is the recognition of certain "higher degrees" by the regular Grand Lodge.

The Grand Lodge of Washington has abolished the office of grand treasurer and the duties of that office will hereafter be performed by whatever bank or trust company becomes custodian of its funds.

The minimum fees for the three degrees in the Symbolic lodges under the Grand Lodge of Wyoming have been placed at \$75. It is doubtful if there is another Grand Lodge having as high minimum fees.

Grand Master Burke, of Colorado, while visiting a Denver Lodge, emphasized the dangers of over-elaboration in exemplifying Masonic work, and deplored the introduction of extraneous efforts in conferring degrees.

The Masons of Sioux City, Iowa, have let the contract for the beginning of a temple which, when completed, will cost in excess of a million and a half dollars.

Kansas has held district meetings in all 73 districts conducted by lecturers, which meetings have been held annually for the past 15 years.

Detroit, including Highland Park, has 26 lodges, seven chapters, one council, three commanderies, one consistory, one shrine, and one grotto.

Georgia raised \$100,000 by voluntary contributions, as an endowment for Masonic Orphans' home.

Montana's Grand Royal Arch Chapter has set aside \$3,000 as a fund for the assistance of Masons in distress.

In Michigan substitutes cannot be used in the Royal Arch degree. The only way to complete a trio is to borrow a candidate from another chapter.

Maine says it has kept out of public affairs, ignored the Knights of Columbus and attended to time-honored customs.

New Masonic Temples are to be erected in Charleston and Blue Island, Ill.

Delaware has taken steps to increase the fee from initiates for Masonic home purposes.



Eastern Star Notes



MRS. ALICE E. WALLACE
Grand Matron, O.E.S.

Hadassah Chapter, No. 113, will hold a fair on Saturday, Oct. 29, at the banquet hall, Masonic apartments, Upham's Corner. Cafeteria luncheon all day and evening. A special entertainment with orchestra, will be given.

Wednesday evening, Oct. 26, a caterer's supper will be served at 6.30 o'clock by Boston Chapter, No. 68, followed by an official inspection at 8 o'clock, by Sister Viola F. Pettes, associate and deputy grand matron, assisted by Sister Alice G. Reilly, deputy grand marshal.

Mystic Chapter, No. 34, East Boston, held a Matrons' and Patrons' Night on Monday evening, Oct. 3rd. On Monday evening, Oct. 17th, a harvest supper and sale was held from 5 to 10 o'clock, which was very successful.

A home supper and dance under the direction of the officers and past matrons and patrons was held on the evening of Tuesday, Oct. 11th, by Palestine Chapter, No. 114, New-tonville.

On Oct. 12, Signet Chapter tendered a reception to Deputy Grand Matron Edith M. Hattie and Deputy Grand Marshal Irene H. Bean.

On October 26th the chapter will hold a Matrons' and Patrons' Night. On October 29th a rummage sale will be held in charge of Sister Adelaide Vogle.

On Sept. 22 a school of instruction was held at Signet Chapter.



ALBERT A. THOMAS
Grand Patron, O.E.S.

Following the summer vacation, a well attended meeting was held on September 1st in the hall of Roxbury Chapter, No. 56, 646 Warren street. The remainder of the year promises much in work and pleasure for all members and friends.

The Victory Sewing Circle of the chapter met on Sept. 15th in the afternoon at 646 Warren street. Supper was served by Worthy Matron Haun, to which the brothers were cordially invited. Following a short business meeting a pleasant hour as a "snip party," was held under direction of Sister Laura Hayes.

The Congregational Church, Ashland street, Roslindale, was the scene of a very pretty wedding on Wednesday evening, Sept. 7th, when Sister Harriet N. Morrison, associate matron of Roxbury Chapter, No. 56, and Mr. George W. Bicknell were joined in the bonds of holy matrimony. Following the ceremony a reception was held in the church parlors. Mr. and Mrs. Bicknell are at home at 7 Al-leyne street, West Roxbury.

A "Star Club Supper" was served at 6.30 o'clock on Wednesday evening, Oct. 5th, at Sachem Rock Chapter, No. 140, East Bridg-water, preceding the meeting, which convened at 8 o'clock. This month marked the eighth anniversary of the chapter and many members were present to answer the roll call, and many friends, unable to be present, sent letters and cards of greeting, which were read at the meeting. A birthday party followed the meet-ing.

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Samoset Chapter, No. 109, enjoyed their annual clambake at the farm of Sister Martha Jones, in Westwood, on Saturday, Sept. 10th. There were one hundred and seven at the tables and, judging by the contented and smiling faces of the diners, the "bake" was a success. Whist was played.

Samoset Chapter held a Matrons' and Patrons' Night at their meeting on Oct. 18th.

Although this is the initial appearance of Gifford Chapter, No. 105, of Fairhaven, in these columns, still as a chapter, it is very much in existence in its home town. This year has been a progressive one under the efficient leadership of Worthy Matron Ethel M. Braley, and Worthy Patron Lyman C. Bauldry. The chapter has initiated a goodly number and all of them worthy.

Summer outings were most successful, one spent at the summer home of Brother Edward Baker at Little Bay and two at the summer home of Charles Maxfield at Marion. The grand matron has honored the chapter by appointing Past Matron Marie L. Whitfield deputy grand matron and past matron, and Sister Eva F. Babbit deputy grand marshal.

A school of instruction was held on the afternoon of June 11th, and in the evening a reception tendered two honored members, Past Matron Marie F. Whitfield and Past Ma-tron Eva F. Babbit. The grand matron, Alice E. Wallace; grand patron, Bro. Albert A. Thomas; also Past Grand Matron Louise G. Crafts, were guests of the evening, being in the receiving line. Suitable gifts were presented to the grand matron and to the deputies, who responded pleasingly. It was a pleasant occasion. Dancing brought the evening's hap-penings to a close.

Inspection took place on Sept. 15th, the business meeting opening at 5 p. m., after which members were served supper in the vestry of the Congregational Church. The meeting reconvened at 7.45 with Past Matron Carrie L. Wade, deputy grand matron, and Past Matron Mabel J. Wyman, deputy grand marshal, officiating. The remarks of the visit-ing officers at the close showed minds that had been made rich with close association in the best ideals and lessons taught by the order.

Monthly suppers throughout the year are much enjoyed by members and are surely get-together occasions. There are busy days yet for the chapter before the closing year, but the chapter has many willing hands and hearts to enter in.

Paul Revere Chapter, No. 155, of Bedford, entered last month upon its sixth year. At the second meeting, held Sept. 15, occurred the annual inspection, with Sister Edith M. Hattie as deputy grand matron, assisted by Sister Irene H. Beane as deputy grand marshal. A special guest of the evening was Sister Rose

Hurwitz, matron of Paul Revere Chapter of New York City.

A fair and entertainment was held by the chapter at Billerica on October 13th and 14th, in aid of the building fund of Thomas Talbot Lodge of that town. On October 20th the chapter held a Past Matrons' and Past Pa-trons' Night. A home supper was served for Paul Revere members and their invited guests.

Blue Hill Chapter, No. 53, Hyde Park, start-ed the fall meetings with a Matrons' and Pa-trons' Night on September 6th. The evening was very warm, but a large number of visitors and members were present and four candi-dates were initiated. The official inspection was held on October 4th, and the chapter was honored with the presence of Sister Alice E. Wallace, grand matron; Brother Albert A. Thomas, grand patron; Sister Louise G. Crafts, grand marshal, as inspecting officers; also Sister Jerguson, grand chaplain. A home supper was served the grand officers and a few invited guests. A committee was appoint-ed to arrange for a dance to be held this month, which it is hoped will be a success socially and financially.

An evening of pleasure is anticipated by Evangeline Chapter, No. 93, on Monday, Oct. 24th, at which time the initiatory work will be exemplified by present matrons and patrons of sister chapters. This occasion will be preceded by an early meeting, followed by a caterer's supper at 6.30 o'clock.

At the meeting in November the officers will move up one station, the associate matron to preside as worthy matron. This courtesy not only encourages the officers in their efforts, but gives the chapter a forerunner of good work to be expected another year. For enter-tainment the worthy matron is planning a cal-endar party, when it is hoped to see many visitors to help share in our good time.

The 197th regular meeting of Rose Croix Chapter, No. 79, Taunton, was held in Masonic Hall, Sept. 15th. Supper was served at 6.45 o'clock and the chapter opened at 7.45. The chaplain, Sister Esther Kingman, and Sister Ursula Noyes, who is the star point of Martha, are touring the Berkshires by auto. On Janu-ary, 1922, Rose Croix Chapter will celebrate its 20th anniversary, and a committee consist-ing of Sisters Flora F. Shumway, Elizabeth S. Atwood, Helen I. Whitmarsh, and Brothers Harrie S. Dary and Frederick E. Johnson, were appointed to report at the October meet-ing plans for the same.

At the close of the chapter meeting, an en-tertainment under the chairmanship of Sister Ellen L. Gottschalk was given, consisting of vocal solos by Dr. Frank Wilbur, piano solos by Raymond Wicher and readings by Miss Ives, all of which were well rendered.

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Braintree Chapter, No. 167, will hold a Hal-low'e'n party at Cochato Hall on Friday evening, Oct. 28th, from 8 to 12 o'clock. Games, special features and dancing will be enjoyed by all who will come, we are quite sure.

Dartmouth Chapter, No. 106, New Bedford, entertained the Southeastern Massachusetts Matrons' and Patrons' Association on October 7th. A most delightful afternoon and evening was enjoyed. On November 4th Deputy Grand Matron Ethel L. Hirning, assisted by Deputy Grand Marshal Alta H. Flagg, will make their official visit to the chapter.

Sister Carrie L. Wade, deputy grand matron, assisted by Sister Mabel S. Wyman, deputy grand marshal, paid an official visit to Rexham Chapter, No. 103, Marshfield, on Friday evening, Sept. 23rd. The degrees were conferred upon a class of candidates, after which refreshments were served and a social hour enjoyed.

The third annual bazaar was held by Easter Chapter on September 15th. Sister Minnie B. Gilmour acted as chairman. There was an attractive display of articles on sale, and an excellent supper was served from 5.30 to 7.00 p. m. The one-act comedy, "Who Kissed Barbara?" was presented in the evening before an appreciative audience.

The officers exemplified "Routine Business" at the School of Instruction conducted by Sister Alice E. Wallace, grand matron, in Attleboro (Hope Chapter), October 1st.

Brookline Chapter, No. 112, will hold a fair on Friday and Saturday afternoons and evenings, Oct. 28th and 29th, at Whitney Hall, Brookline. Luncheon and supper will be served in the restaurant, and afternoon tea in the tea room. There will be no admission fee charged and fancy goods, food, aprons, every-day-in-the-week (or household) articles, books, cards, flowers, candy, a country store with groceries, vegetables, etc., will be offered for sale. There will be many attractions, winding up with a country dance, Saturday night. The purpose of this fair is two-fold—to increase the charity funds in Brookline Chapter, and to promote a closer friendship among our members. Are they not worth while?

Wenona Chapter, No. 59, Dorchester, had its official inspection by Sister Edith M. Hattie, deputy grand matron, assisted by Sister Irene H. Beane, deputy grand marshal, on Saturday evening, Oct. 8th. Music was furnished by the Harvard Quartette. On Saturday evening, Oct. 22nd, there will be a caterer's dinner served in the banquet hall at 6.30 o'clock, and at 8 o'clock a reception to the grand officers and the past matrons and past patrons

of the chapter will be held, to be followed by an entertainment and dancing. On November 12th we will hold a bazaar, afternoon and evening, and on Nov. 26th a Matrons' and Patrons' night.

Dorothy Bradford Chapter, No. 135, Hingham, was visited on Monday evening, Oct. 3rd, by Sister Marie L. Whitfield, deputy grand matron, assisted by Sister Eva F. Babbitt, deputy grand marshal, when the official inspection took place. Sister Erie Philbrook was the soloist, and her selections were much enjoyed. On Oct. 7th a benefit concert and dance was held at Agricultural Hall, which was largely attended, five hundred tickets having been sold, and which proved a complete social and financial success. A splendid entertainment was provided by the Schubert Quartette and Wilma Dearborn Carter, reader. Dancing followed until 12 o'clock. The affair was under the immediate supervision of Sister Mabel S. Wyman, deputy grand marshal, who was assisted by a large committee.

The inspection of Gifford Chapter, No. 103, Fairhaven, took place on September 15th. Sister Carrie L. Wade, deputy grand matron, assisted by Sister Mabel S. Wyman, deputy grand marshal, was the inspecting officer. A dinner was served to a large number of visitors and members at 6.30 o'clock. Chapter convened at 8 o'clock and the degrees were conferred upon a class of candidates before a large audience. Among the visitors present were Sister Woodman of Melrose, Sister Sias of Vesta, Sister Raymond of Milton and Sister Tirrell of Dorothy Bradford, whose presence was appreciated, they having come such a long distance to witness the work of the chapter.

Electa Chapter, No. 19, has moved into the new Masonic Temple on Main street, Waltham, and has changed its meetings from the first and third Thursdays to the second and fourth Thursdays of the month. The new lodge rooms are among the finest in the state. They are finished in two-tone gray with the Masonic tile carpet. The furniture is all given in memory of loved ones each piece bearing an engraved plate. The beautiful beamed ceiling with the Masonic heavens in the center adds greatly to the beauty of the lodge room.

The proceeds from the fair held last winter went towards furnishing the ladies' parlor, which is a very lovely room. It is furnished in Colonial style with beautiful Davenport, chairs, table, desk, etc. The beautiful mirror clock was donated by the Waltham Watch Co. Members of other chapters are always welcome to Electa Chapter.

The official inspection of Middlesex Chapter, No. 64, West Medford, took place on Tuesday evening, Oct. 4th. The inspecting officer,

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Sister Viola F. Pettee, associate and deputy grand matron, was assisted by Sister Alice G. Reilly, deputy grand marshal. Music was furnished by the Lotus Quartette. On Friday evening, Oct. 7, at Odd Fellows Hall, plain and bridge whist was enjoyed, Sister Alice L. Rugg, chairman, and on Oct. 29 the chapter will hold a dance at Community Hall, Medford Hillside.

R. Ex. Ernest J. Hayden of New Bedford is official subscription agent for the "New England Craftsman" in the territory from Fairhaven to New Bedford. Members of the Eastern Star who find it more convenient may send their subscriptions through Bro. Hayden, whose address is Box 231, New Bedford, Mass.

Wellfleet Chapter, No. 145, served a buffet supper on Thursday evening, Oct. 13, at 6.30 o'clock. At 7.45 a reception was held for the grand officers, and at 8.15 an official inspection of the chapter was held by Sister Marie L. Whitfield, deputy grand matron, assisted by Sister Eva F. Babbitt, deputy grand marshal.

Priscilla Chapter, O. E. S., No. 52, began its fall work, with the initiation of two candidates and the reception of several applications. About one hundred were present at the meeting. The chapter voted to donate their discarded regalia to the Joel Hayden Chapter of Haydenville, Mass. This is a new chapter and the regalia could be used by them until they got established and could purchase new for themselves. Refreshments were served after the meeting.

On Monday afternoon, Sept. 26, Priscilla Chapter, had the honor of having the grand matron, Alice E. Wallace, conduct a school of instruction in Reading. At 12.20 o'clock an excellent luncheon was served by a competent committee of ladies. At 1 o'clock Salem Chapter opened the school and demonstrated the opening exercises. Puritan Chapter conducted the business meeting and Peabody Chapter took the offices for the balloting. Acacia Chapter gave the affiliation and Priscilla Chapter illustrated the initiation ceremony. Harmony Chapter closed the school. Over two hundred visitors and members were present and could not help but benefit from the helpful corrections and suggestions of the grand matron. After the school, punch and fancy crackers were served to all who could remain.

On Tuesday evening, Oct. 11, Sister Jane Gray Payzant, grand conductress and deputy grand matron, assisted by Sister Rose A. Little, deputy grand marshal, held an official inspection of Royall Chapter, No. 153, at the Medford Women's Clubhouse. The Lotus Quartette added to the beauty and impressiveness of the excellent work done by the officers of

the Chapter. A supper was served at 6.30 o'clock. On Tuesday, Oct. 25 there will be a supper, sale and dance at the clubhouse. Sale opens at 3.30. The chapter will convene at 5 o'clock. Supper will be served at 6.30, and the dancing will begin at 8.30 o'clock. Sisters Ella L. Olsen A. M., Carrie E. Young, secretary, and Hattie B. Archer, are chairmen of this affair, which promises to be decidedly interesting.

Pequolette Chapter, No. 140, of Watertown opened its work in September without any let-up in applications. Twenty-two applications were balloted on Oct. 12th and those elected will be initiated at the official inspection on Oct. 26th.

At the last meeting in September the officers put on the Emblematic Star, which was very pleasing. Mrs. Selfridge sang and after the meeting, refreshments, a social hour and dancing were enjoyed.

The various committees are busy planning for the fair to be held November 4th and 5th. The usual tables of dolls, aprons, fancy articles, fruit, vegetables, candy, etc., will be well stocked, as well as a regular lunch counter and a quick lunch counter. On Friday evening, the 4th, there will be a play entitled "Miss Prim's Kindergarten," and on Saturday evening there will be dancing with Horwood's orchestra.

Braintree Chapter, No. 167, O. E. S., one of the youngest chapters in the state, held its first Matrons' and Patrons' Night in Masonic Hall, Braintree, Friday evening, Sept. 23rd.

That the rest season was over and that the winters work had been taken up in earnest, were clearly demonstrated by the interest and enthusiasm shown at this largely attended meeting. A delicious supper was served to the officers and the visiting matrons and patrons.

The excellent rendering of the exemplification of our emblematic star by our honored guests, together with a pleasant social hour and delightful refreshments following, have made this meeting one long to be remembered.

The annual inspection of Hope Chapter, No. 41, of Attleboro, was held Oct. 3, in Masonic Hall. The meeting opened at 4.30 p. m. for routine business and balloting. At 6.45 an excellent supper was served in the banquet hall, with Sister Edna Starkey, chairman. The chapter reconvened at 8.30 and the official inspection of the chapter was conducted under the direction of Sister Helen H. Barnfather, associate grand conductress, acting as deputy grand matron; Grand Patron Bro. Thomas and Sister Mabel F. White as deputy grand marshal, with a notable suite of past and pres-

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ent matrons and patrons. Five candidates received the degrees of the order, the work being pleasingly interspersed with selections by the Lotus Quartette. D.G.M. Sister Barnfather, Sister White, and a few sisters of visiting chapters, responded to their names with remarks and pleasing anecdotes. Bro. Thomas thanked the chapter for a new 32nd degree pin, made by the worthy patron, Bro. Benjamin Taylor, and presented by Hope Chapter.

Although the evening was very stormy guests were present from many of the surrounding chapters and with the great number of Hope Chapter members attending, the hall was well filled.

Hope Chapter held a fair in Murray Hall during the afternoon and evening of Oct. 20. The next supper will be served on Nov. 7th. It will be a man-made, man-served supper, and tickets should be ordered early.

On Oct. 1st at 1 o'clock in the afternoon, Grand Matron Alice E. Wallace and Grand Marshal Louise Crafts held a School of Instruction in Masonic Hall, Attleboro, under the auspices of Hope Chapter. Angle Stone Chapter of North Attleboro opened the meeting, Easter Chapter of Foxboro conducted the business, Fern Chapter of Franklin gave the examination of an unknown guest before being allowed to enter a chapter meeting. Hope Chapter exemplified the affiliation and initiatory work and Rose Croix Chapter of Taunton had the closing.

The school was well attended, 14 chapters being represented and 116 members enjoying the course of instruction. Much helpful information was received by those attending.

At 4 o'clock, no further questions remaining to be answered, all present adjourned to the banquet hall, where refreshments were served and a general atmosphere of sociability prevailed.

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Weetamoe Chapter, No. 57, held its 494th regular meeting on Thursday evening, Sept. 8, at 7.30. A business meeting with balloting on fourteen candidates took place.

The 495th regular meeting was held Thursday evening, Sept. 22, at 7.30. Committees were appointed for the annual bazaar to be held in Friendly Union Hall, Rock street, on the afternoon and evening of October 27th, eleven petitions received, followed by initiation of nine candidates.

Refreshments were served at close of the meeting by Sister Amanda Hatch, chairman, and an efficient committee.

The Southeastern Massachusetts Matrons and Patrons' Association held its regular meeting with Dartmouth Chapter, New Bedford, on Friday evening, Oct. 7th. Business meeting at 5.30 p. m. Supper at 6.30. Sister Elizabeth D. Sumner, past matron of Weetamoe Chapter, president.

Cincinnatus Chapter, No. 146, of Great Barrington, was officially visited on the evening of October 4th by Deputy Grand Matron Mabel H. Cooper, assisted by Deputy Grand Marshal Lutie M. Twist, both of Berkshire Chapter, No. 81, of Dalton. The acting grand patron was Bro. Herbert W. Dean of Stafford Chapter, No. 85, of Cheshire. The chapter opened at 5 o'clock, and at 6.30 a bountiful supper was served by the refreshment committee, in charge of Past Matron Maud M. Boice. This was followed by a reception, and an inspection of the work and records of the chapter. Visitors were present to the number of 104, the chapters represented being Liberty, No. 159, of Chester; Collina, No. 69, of Pittsfield; Berkshire, No. 81, of Dalton; Stafford, No. 85, of Cheshire; Meridian, No. 8, Conn.; Cullin, No. 365, of Hillsdale, N. Y.; Wisdom, No. 130, of West Stockbridge; St. Croix Falls, of St. Croix, Wis.; Esther, No. 72, of Canaan, Conn.; Franklin, No. 92, of Adams, and West Springfield, No. 144, West Springfield. The records of Cincinnatus Chapter indicate that the past year, under the direction of Worthy Matron Isabel J. Tuller, has been a year both of harmony and prosperity.

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The annual inspection of Quincy Chapter, No. 88, was held in Masonic Hall, on Oct. 3rd. A caterer's supper was served at 6 o'clock and at 8 o'clock the chapter was officially inspected by Grand Matron Alice E. Wallace, accompanied by Sister Louise Crafts, past grand matron and deputy grand marshal.

Sister Carrie Cushing, grand secretary; Bro. Geo. A. Mosher, associate grand patron, and Mrs. Mosher; Bro. Clesson Curtice, grand sentinel, and Mrs. Curtice; Sister Effie King, past grand matron, also deputy grand matrons, Sisters Kittie K. Fisher, Alice M. Abbott, and Ethel L. Hirning; also deputy grand marshals, Sisters Elizabeth Hook, Florence L. McNutt, and Alta H. Flagg.

Pleasing remarks were made by the grand officers. Through our grand secretary, Sister Cushing, the chapter received the kind message sent the chapter by the beloved honorary member, Sister Lucy G. B. Colby, past grand matron and grand treasurer. For several years she has always been present at the annual inspection and she surely was missed this time.

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The official inspection of Crystal Chapter, No. 36, was held on Thursday evening, Sept. 22. The meeting opened at 5.15, with Sister Carrie K. Lovejoy matron, and Bro. J. Elliot Knowlton, patron, presiding.

At 6.30 the meeting adjourned, while a supper was served under the direction of Sister Agnes L. Williamson.

The meeting re-convened at 8 o'clock with a large number of members and visitors present. Sister Jane Gray Payzant, grand con-

ductress, and deputy grand matron, assisted by Sister Rose A. Little, deputy grand marshal, were introduced, escorted by a number of past and present grand officers, matrons and patrons. Sister Payzant has a marvelous memory for names, introducing each of her escorts without hesitation. The inspection was followed by the initiation of five candidates.

The Matrons' and Patrons' Association of Crystal Chapter, met on the evening of Oct. 3rd with Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Longley and were delightfully entertained.

Preceding a short business meeting, the newly elected president, Sister Grace L. Grover, assisted by Sister Christine F. Oliver, installed the following officers: vice president, Bro. Geo. W. Longley; secretary, Sister Minnie G. Thompson; treasurer, Bro. Ernest B. Marsh. The retiring president, Sister Harriet L. Hodgdon, was presented with a beautiful pin, the presentation being made by the president. The evening closed with a collation.

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A military and bridge whist will be held on Wednesday evening, Oct. 26, in Columbia Hall, under the auspices of Hadassah Chapter, No. 113. There will also be a theatre party at the Strand, Upham's Corner, on Thursday afternoon, Oct. 27. On Wednesday evening, Oct. 19, a home supper was served at 6.30 o'clock, followed by an official inspection by Sister Margaret B. Knights, deputy grand matron, assisted by Sister Nellie M. Murray, deputy grand marshal.

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A special meeting of Roslindale Chapter, No. 104, was held in Fraternity Hall Wednesday evening, Sept. 21. The degree was exemplified by matrons and patrons of visiting chapters, with Sister G. Marion Fredericks of Keystone Chapter, No. 19, as worthy matron, and Bro. Paul Weden of Sabbatia Chapter, No. 124, as worthy patron. Sister Hattie Holmes was the soloist of the evening, with Sister Pierce, past matron of Brookline Chapter, grand organist of the Grand Chapter, as organist for the evening.

There was an exceptionally large attendance, with 96 visitors present. After initiation, refreshments were served in the banquet hall.

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Roslindale Chapter, No. 104, held its annual inspection in Fraternity Hall on Wednesday evening, Oct. 5th. The chapter was opened at 5 o'clock. At 6.30 a banquet was served to 130 members and guests in the parlors of the Congregational Church, Bro. Alvin D. Dorr, chairman. (It is thought Bro. Dorr was responsible for the wonderful bit of sculpture exhibited, when the ices were served).

Chapter was reconvened at 8 o'clock. Deputy Grand Marshal Elizabeth Hook announced that Deputy Grand Matron Kittie K. Fisher

was in waiting for the purpose of paying Roslindale Chapter an official visit. The worthy matron, Sister Mabelle G. Kingsbury, appointed on the committee to receive the deputy grand matron, Past Patron Warren H. Brayton and Past Matron Hattie E. Brayton. Accompanying the deputy grand matron on her suite were Past Grand Patron Walter M. French, Past Grand Matron Lillian Grover Walch, Past Grand Matron and Grand Secretary Carrie A. Cushing, Grand Sentinel Clesson S. Curtis, Deputy Grand Matron Carrie L. Wade, and matrons and patrons of other chapters. Sister Fisher conducted the official inspection, in spite of the loss of her voice, being assisted by Bro. French. Two candidates were afterwards initiated into the order. The officers were assisted in their work by the Weber Male Quartet. Speeches were made by P.G.P. Walter M. French, G.S. Carrie A. Cushing, D.G.M. Elizabeth Hook and G.S. Clesson S. Curtis. Sisters Charlotte R. McClellan, chairman, Florence Crysler and Laura A. Stevens, P.M., were appointed to order the organ for the new Masonic Temple.

A Hallowe'en party will be held on the next regular meeting night with Gordan Riedel, chairman. Friday, Nov. 4th, an afternoon whist will be held for the purpose of adding to the organ fund, Sister Deichert, chairman. The third Saturday in November an evening whist will be held, Sister Ruth Noyes, chairman.

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Over 300 persons were present at the official visitation of Arcana Chapter, O.E.S., in Masonic Hall, recently. The session opened in the chapter room at 4.30. At 5.30 an excellent dinner was served by the men of the chapter in the banquet hall, with Fred Passut in charge of the kitchen and H. M. Newhall, chairman of the committee. The dining room was in charge of F. L. Gaines, H. D. Phillips and a corps of men waiters. The women had nothing to do with the supper and had no knowledge of what was to be served. The menu included cantaloupe, croquettes, mashed potato, cold meats, salads, rolls, coffee, various relishes and ice cream. The room was trimmed with colored streamers and the tables were decorated with cut flowers.

A total of 317 sat down to dinner, the tables being twice set. Following dinner there was a reception to the grand officers at Grinnell hall, which was attractively decorated for the occasion with palms, potted plants, cut and wild flowers. Following the reception the chapter was officially inspected by Grand Matron Alice E. Wallace, assisted by Grand Marshal Louise G. Crafts. Worthy Matron Elizabeth A. Farwell presided. There was initiation of candidates and the work was most impressively done. Music was furnished by Bickford's orchestra and the Masonic quartet, consisting of Messrs. Bigelow, Snow, Newcomb

and Sauter. Vocal selections were given by Sister Lillian Snow.

Pleasing features of the evening were the presentation of flowers to the grand matron and grand marshal and the presentation of Eastern Star rings to District Deputy Grand Matron Elizabeth Farwell and District Deputy Grand Marshal Frances Howe. There was speaking by the grand officers and others and the occasion was one of the most attractive and largely attended of the many Arcana Chapter functions.

A number of guests were present from

neighboring chapters. Among the grand officers present, in addition to those mentioned above, were the following: Bro. George B. Archer of Medford, acting grand patron; Sister Mabel Stearns of Springfield, grand Ruth; Sister Edith Avery of Athol, grand warder; Sister Martha Burch of Springfield, grand Martha; Sister Blanchard, district deputy grand matron of Vermont; Sister Higgins, deputy grand matron of Maine. The committee in charge comprised Worthy Patron Fred Raymond, Associate Matron Mary F. Duchemin and Conductress Lena E. Phillips.

All Sorts

Plumber's Devil: "Y'aint sick, are ye?"
Plumber: "Naw! It ain't that—I forgot t' forgit me tools!"—*Life*.

In the shoe shop: "You'll guarantee these to be all leather?" "Yes sir, on account of strikes it is the only material we can get now."—*Judge*.

"I hardly know how to decide this case." "Well, Judge, there are two sides to every question." "But this is a triangle."—*Louisville Courier-Journal*.

"Lay down, pup. Lay down. That's a good doggie. Lay down, I tell you." "Mister, you'll have to say, 'Lie down.' He's a Boston terrier."—*Nashville Tennessean*.

A parish church was being beautified with a stained-glass window. The old sexton was watching the work. The rector, seeing him thus intent, remarked, "Well, John, and what is your opinion of the window?" "Weel," was the reply, "in ma opeenion they micht hae been content wi' the gless as God made it."—*London Town Topics*.

During the filming of a scenario in Los Angeles the director tried to persuade a colored man to do a scene with a lion. The man objected and threatened to quit.

"But the lion won't hurt you," said the director. "This lion was brought up on milk." "So was I brought up on milk," protested the darkey, "but I eats meat now."

A young colored couple were sitting at the foot of the Statue of Liberty. Henry was holding Mandy's hand.

"Henry," said Mandy, "does you all know why dey has such small lights on de Statue o' Liberty?"

"Ah dunno," replied the Ethiopian swain, "unless it's because de less light, de mo' liberty."

"So you want to marry my daughter?" demanded the old colored man of the young one who stood before him. "I suttinly does." "Did you ever see her eat?" "I suttinly did." "Huh! Did you ever see her eat—when dey wasn't nobody lookin' at her?"

A cantankerous person told the vicar whom he had come to see on some local matter that he was an atheist. "But surely," said the vicar, "you consider the Ten Commandments, broadly speaking, to be an excellent rule of life?" "No, I do not," replied the man almost savagely. The vicar rang his bell. "John," said he to his servant, "show this man to the door and keep your eye on him until he is beyond the reach of my hat and coat in the hall."

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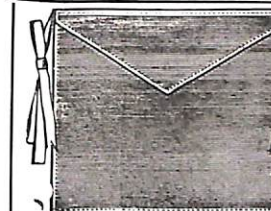
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